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VAN DYKE, HUSSEY & DIMOND,

WHOLESALE and retail dealers in every variety of Goods suitable for the mining region.
Miners and others will please give us a call and examine our goods themselves before purchasing elsewhere, as we will sell at the lowest market prices. j27-tf

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EXPRESS AND BANKING OFFICE,
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—ALSO—

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NEW YORK,
PHILADELPHIA,
WASHINGTON,
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BOSTON,
BALTIMORE,
NEW ORLEANS,
PITTSBURG,
CINCINNATI,
LONDON.
Gold Dust delivered at the United States Mint, and proceeds forwarded to any part of the Union.
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CONNECTING WITH
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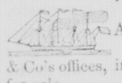

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Sight Drafts on Wells, Fargo & Co's offices, in all the principal Atlantic cities for sale.
Express business in all its branches, promptly attended to.
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KEEP constantly on hand a full assortment of the following articles:
Genuine Havana Cigars, various brands,
do American do do do;
Chewing, Fine Cut and Smoking Tobacco;
Hardware, Carpenters' Tools;
Window Glass, White Lead, Oil, Putty, Brushes;
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Cutlery, Clocks, Colt's Pistols, &c.;
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Looking Glasses, Violins, Flutes, Garden Seeds.
—ALSO—
An endless variety of Fancy Goods, Perfumery, etc., etc. In fact, every thing usually found in a variety store.
GRIESMAN & CO.,
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Main street, Mariposa.
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EL DORADO HOTEL
AND
BILLIARD SALOON,
On Charles, between 3d and 4th streets, Mariposa.

THE undersigned, proprietors of the above named Hotel, have recently re-furnished their sleeping apartments in a costly and splendid style, for the accommodation of the public, and as heretofore, will hold themselves in readiness to wait upon all who may favor them with a call.
Their Billiard Saloon contains one of Winnin's best Tables; and the choicest Liquors and best Cigars will be kept constantly on hand.
For beds inquire at the bar.
Connected with the above establishment is a splendid Restaurant, where meals of every description can be obtained at all hours.
9-tf G. B. ABLES & L. VINING.

MISCELLANEOUS.

RECEIVED Per Recent Arrivals—
A large assortment of Cooking Stoves;
Parlor Grates, of various patterns and sizes;
500 kegs cut Nails;
Leather, Hemp, and Gutta Percha Hose;
Douglass & Farnum's brass Force Pumps;
Common lifting Pumps,
Lead Pipe of all sizes;
Sheet Lead, &c.;
Britannia, bright and Japaned Tin Ware;
Every variety of plain Tin Ware.
For sale at wholesale or retail.
—ALSO—
Two splendid marble top Billiard Tables, complete
Ten Pins and Balls;
Stone Cutters;
Mallets, &c., &c.
G. & W. SNOOK.
j10-tf 141 Washington street.

TO MEN OF BUSINESS.
Jack W. Smith

RESPECTFULLY informs the public generally, that he has established himself on the Merced River, in the county of Mariposa, as a
GENERAL COLLECTING AGENT.
Any business entrusted to him will be attended to with promptness and dispatch.
He hopes by activity, industry, and strict attention to business, to merit both the respect and patronage of the business circle.
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Enoch Gove, San Joaquin Steam Mills, } Stockton.
Samuel Baldwin, City do do
Capt. J. M. Scofield, Colonel of the Port, } Stockton.
Ruggles & Nucd, Merchants,
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Judge J. M. Boudurant, Mariposa,
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Hon. Sam Bell, Comptroller of State.
Dr. R. P. Ashe, New Agent, San Francisco.
Address JACK W. SMITH, Snelling's Ranch,
feb3-tf Per Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express

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24 AND 30 INCH GRIST MILLS;
Power and hand Corn Mills;
Leather Belting, Horse Shoes;
Horse shoe Nails, Hand Saws;
Carpenters' Hatchets,
Fairbank's Platform and Counter Scales;
Dirt and Coal Barrows, Stove Trucks;
Bolting Cloths.
Plows—Eagle No. 2; Plows—No. 20;
do No. 19 1-2; do Diamond F;
do Eagle M; do Eagle 2 B;
Assorted Peoria steel do.
Sluicing Forks, long and short handles;
Giddey's Harrows.
—ALSO—
A large assortment of Field and Garden Seeds.
For sale at the Agricultural Warehouse, No. 85 Washington street, between Battery and Front, San Francisco, by
feb3-tf H. McNALLY.

$30,000
WORTH OF
FURNITURE!
NOW OPENING AT HOWES & CO.,
180 *Montgomery street, San Francisco,*

BEING that large and desirable stock of Furniture shipped to Nendalle, Silver & Co., of this city, which we have purchased of the original shippers at
50 PER CENT LESS THAN COST.
Consequently we are now prepared to offer at wholesale or retail, to dealers, families, Hotel keepers, and others, our immense stock, at the lowest rates for cash. The above stock comprises in part the following articles:
Parlor Sets, Wardrobes;
Secretaries, Tables;
Chairs, Rockers;
200 Sofas, 200 Bureaus;
50 Chamber Sets;
Mattrasses, Feathers, Bedsteads;
Office Chairs, Office Desks;
Settees, Mirrors, &c., &c.
Our friends in Mariposa can rely upon finding at our warehouse every description of articles in the Furniture line, at prices which we guarantee shall be as low, for the same quality of goods, as at any other establishment in the city.
HOWES & CO.,
Remember the Number—
feb3-tf 180 Montgomery street.

FOR SALE
BY
COIT & BEALS,
SAN FRANCISCO,

STATUARY MANTELS—EX ONWARD.—3 splendid Statuary Marble Mantels;
7 Veined Italian Marble Mantels;
100 Choice Philadelphia made Mantels.
The above Beautifully Carved, and of Elaborate Finish. Samples now on exhibition at our office.
Table Tops, Italian Marble Counter Tops.
Just received—Ex Onward.
Tomb Stones, in great variety, made and carved to order.
We have the best workmen in the United States.

ITALIAN MARBLE.
GRANITE AND FREESTONE WAREHOUSE,
No. 94 Battery street.
Obelisks, Monuments, Head-stones;
Imposing Stones, Table Tops, Centre Tables.
The largest and best assortment in the city.
Italian Marble Mantels, of various patterns;
Richly carved Statuary Marble Mantels.
All kinds of lettering done to order.
Quincy Granite, Connecticut Freestone;
Some choice patterns of moulded Architectural Lintels, Red Freestone, &c.
We are constantly in receipt of fresh supplies of Mantels and Grates, together with building Fronts, &c., by shippers from New York, and we are at all times prepared to execute jobs of work on the most reasonable terms.
COIT & BEALS,
Sign of the Marble Obelisk,
feb3-1m*s 94 Battery street, corner Clay.

SAN FRANCISCO HOTEL,
MRS. M. F. HALL, Proprietor,
Corner of Jackson and Front street, San Francisco.
Accommodations and fare equal to the best Hotels in California.
Charges moderate. feb3-tf

THOMAS LAMBERT. CHARLES POTTER.
THOMAS LAMBERT & CO.,
General Commission Merchants,
Washington street, between Battery and Sansome, San Francisco.

ALWAYS on hand a full assortment of HARDWARE, GLASS-WARE; PROVISIONS, BOOTS AND SHOES, and GENERAL MERCHANDISE, selected expressly for the California market, on the most reasonable terms. feb3-tf

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Grocers and Commission Merchants,
Front street, bdween Sacramento and Long Wharf, San Francisco.
feb3-tf

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McNEIL & BOLLMEYER
Wholesale Dealers in Groceries, Liquors, &c., &c., &c.,
No. 58 Front street, between Sacramento and California,
feb3-tf San Francisco.

JAMES PATRICK & CO.,
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Battery street, near Pacific, San Francisco.
feb3-tf

J. W. HAYNES. J. H. BOSWORTH.
HAYNES & BOSWORTH,
Shipping and Commission Merchants, Importers and Dealers in
GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, FRUITS, &c., &c.,
101 Front street, near Washington, San Francisco.
feb3-tf

The Golden Gate Hotel.

THIS hotel opens to-day for the reception of its guests. The above house is entirely new built and furnished with all new furniture, in the most modern style.
It is situated on the west side of Davis street, corner of Oregon, near Jackson, and within a few yards of the landing of the River and Ocean Steamers.
The house is capable of accommodating 175 persons, the rooms are all lighted and well ventilated; superior accommodations for families visiting the city.
No pains will be spared to make this new Hotel pleasant and agreeable to all who may favor it with their patronage.
W. G. THOMAS.
N. B. A splendid Barber's Saloon is attached to this Hotel, conducted by
j27tf J. V. THEOBALD.

C. POWELL,
Notary Public, under the law of 1853,
COULTERVILLE, MARIPOSA CO., CAL.
feb3-tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

ALEX. STAIR. JAMES B. BALDRIGE.
Stair & Baldrige.

THE undersigned hereby inform the citizens of Coulterville, and vicinity, that they have purchased the Old, Favorite and well known establishment of
G. W. COULTER,
at the above place, and will always keep on hand a large and well selected stock of
GROCERIES, PROVISIONS AND LIQUORS,
besides all other descriptions of Goods suitable for the mines.
With a full and earnest endeavor to please *all*, both in quality and price, they respectfully solicit a call from their friends and the public generally.
Coulterville, Jan. 27th, 1854.
feb3-tf ALEX. STAIR, JAS. H. BALDRIGE.

BEAR VALLEY DEPOT.
SIMPSON & HAMMATT,

WOULD announce to their friends and the mining community of this county, that they are permanently located in the town of Simpsonville, and now prepared to furnish their customers with
MEAT, PROVISIONS, GROCERIES, LIQUORS, QUEENSWARE, &c.,
of the best quality, and at the lowest rates.
Their stock is entirely new and embraces superior
Hams, Beef, Pork, Bacon;
Lard, Flour, Tea, Coffee;
Sugar, Potatoes, Barley, Rice;
Molasses, Syrups, Dried Fruit;
Preserves, Pickles, Brandy, Gin;
Whisky, Rum, Port Wine;
Claret Wine, Sherry Wine;
Hock Wine, Madaria Wine;
Clothing, Blankets, Drilling &c.
Together with every description of Miners' Tools, &c.
HAMMATT & SIMPSON,
Large Frame House,
feb10-tf Main street, Simpsonville.

POST OFFICE HOTEL,
AND
PROVISION DEPOT,
Mt. Ophir.

JOSEPH MILLER & CO., Proprietors.

THE public are informed that this establishment has accommodations and convenience for guests unsurpassed by any house in the county. The best the market affords will always be furnished for the table in abundance.
As regards the sleeping arrangements, every effort will be made to insure invariable satisfaction.
At the store can at all times be found a complete assortment of
MINERS' IMPLEMENTS,
DRY GOODS, &c.
Together with all description of
MEAT PROVISIONS
of the best quality.
feb10-tf JOS. MILLER & CO.

AGENCY FOR CLAIMS
AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE
United States.
P. A. BRINSMADE,

HAS removed his office to Sherman's building, No. 146 Montgomery street, San Francesco, where he will continue his prosecution of Claims against the Federal Government, embracing
Claims of the officers and soldiers of Colonel Stevenson's Regiment of New York Volunteers for bounty lands, extra pay and transportation allowances.
Claims of the officers and men who composed the California Battalion of Volunteers, under Lieutenant Colonel John C. Fremont, for bounty lands, arrears of pay, and extra pay.
Claims of the officers, petty officers, seamen and marines, on account of additional compensation for services in the Naval and Revenue service of the United States in the Pacific Ocean, on the coasts of California and Mexico, from 13th of May, 1846, to 1st of March, 1853, provided for by Acts of Congress, approved August 31st, 1852, and March 3d, 1853.
—ALSO—
Claims for indemnity on account of losses occasioned by Indian depredations upon the property of the citizens of the State.
And Claims for advances made to United States Indian Agents, to enable them to negotiate or to execute treaties with the Indian tribes.
MR. BRINSMADE has secured the most reliable and efficient aid in Washington, and claimants may feel sure of the prompt attention possible.
N. B. He will also give his best attention to Conveyancing in all its branches. feb3-tf

FRUIT TREES, VINES,
AND
SHRUBBERY.

CITIZENS OF CALIFORNIA—Having seen the great attraction of the Horticultural Fair and the splendid Oregon Apples, sold in San Francisco for one and two dollars a piece, you know that Oregon Fruit and Fruit Trees are
NO HUMBUG.
Many of the Trees and Vines that we sold last winter have *Produced* fruit this season, and all have given satisfaction, for the truth of which we refer to our patrons: Rev. G. C. Wheeler, Rev. Isaac Owen, Hon. J. P. Leese, Gen. J. A. Sutter, Maj. W. J. Jacks, Napa City; Hon. C. P. Hester, O. E. Crosby, W. W. McCoy, E. L. Beard, and S. Franklin, San Jose Valley; Messrs. Johnston & McCabe, R. R. Buckelew, Mr. Weaver, of Stockton, and J. W. Robinson, of San Diego.
Farmers, Gardners and Rancho Owners, are your grounds in readiness? The earlier you plant the better. It affords us pleasure to inform you that we will open in about ten days, in the basement of the Commercial Advertiser Building, on Montgomery street, between Clay and Washington, the finest lot of choice Fruit Trees, of every variety and kind ever offered in this market, as also Vines, Plants and Shrubs, both useful and ornamental, of every variety, a full assortment of which will be kept complete by semi-monthly arrivals from Oregon up to April 1854. Our prices will be reasonable, and all that we offer to the public will be warranted alive and true to the label.
Also, all kinds of Garden Seeds for sale.
We will also warrant that our Trees can be carried to any part of this Coast, or to any of the Islands with success.
Orders solicited, to which prompt attention will be given. Purchasers will please call and examine at the above place. San Francisco, Dec. 13, 1853.
feb3-tf A. H. & A. MYRES.

GEORGE M. GARDNER,
(*Successor to Daniel C. McGlynn,*)
WHOLESALE DEALER IN
PAINTS, OILS, VARNISH, &c.
No. 117 Washington street, next door to the corner of Sansome, San Francisco.
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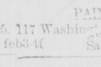
MILITARY REGALIA,
Etag, Banner, and Ladies Dress Trimming
EMPORIUM.
SAN FRANCISCO.

MASONIC, ODD FELLOWS', CHAPTER, ENCAMPMENT, and other REGALIA embroidered and made to order in a style that cannot be surpassed by any house in the Atlantic States. Full sets for Lodges and private members constantly on hand. Jewels for Templars, Chapters, Blue Lodges, Odd Fellows' and Encampments.
MILITARY GOODS,
of every description imported, together with all kinds of Gold and Silver Embroidery done for Army and Navy Officers.
FLAGS, BANNERS, SIGNALS, BURGEES, &c., &c., made at short notice, and on reasonable terms. Ensigns of all sizes constantly on hand.
LADIES' DRESS AND OTHER TRIMMINGS,
in great variety. Gold and Silver Fringes, Laces, Gimps, Stars, Tassels, Rosettes, Theatrical Trimmings, &c., &c.
D. NORCROSS.
feb10-tf 148 Sacramento, above Montgomery.

A. C. MESSERVE & CO.
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL,
IN Upholstery Goods, Paper Hangings, Carpets, &c., &c. Fire Proof Store, No. 128 Clay street, above Sansome, San Francisco. feb10-1

WM. B. COOKE. G. L. KENNY. GEO. STURTEVANT.
WHOLESALE BOOK STORE,
AND
STATIONERS' HALL.
COOKE, KENNY & CO.,
Corner of Merchant and Montgomery streets, San Francisco.



Importers of English, French and American Fancy and Staple STATIONERY.
Wholesale and Retail Dealers in
LAW, MEDICAL, MISCELLANEOUS, SCHOOL AND BLANK BOOKS.
Agents and Dealers in MAGAZINES and REVIEWS.
☞ BLANK BOOKS made to order on the shortest notice. feb10-tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

T. ROBINSON BOURS. B. WALKER BOURS.
T. ROBINSON BOURS & CO.,
REAL ESTATE AGENTS AND BANKERS,
Fire-Proof Building, Centre street, Stockton.
AGENTS OF BURGOYNE & CO., SAN FRANCISCO.

EXCHANGE for sale for every steamer, at San Francisco rates, on
Baring, Brothers & Co. ..... London.
Hottinguer & Co. ..... Paris.
Recbee & Co. ..... New York.
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—ALSO—
Sight drafts on
Burgoyne & Co. ..... San Francisco.
Yaney & Bertine ..... Sonora.
Read & Co. ..... Sacramento.
Geo. W. Plume & Co. ..... Marysville.
Gold Dust and Coin received on general or special deposite.
Highest price paid for Gold Dust. j27-tf

WEBER HOUSE,
Corner of Main and Centre streets, Stockton,
UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF W. W. WARNER.

THE Proprietors of this new and spacious Hotel, have the pleasure in announcing to the public that they are now prepared to accommodate all who may favor them with their patronage.
The Weber House is the largest Hotel in Stockton, and being situated in the most pleasant and healthy portion of the city, as well as the centre of business, offers inducements to the resident or traveller seeking a home, that can be found in no other establishment in the Southern Mines.
The several apartments attached to this house, are furnished in a style unsurpassed by any establishment of the kind in the country.
The Table will be supplied with every variety of the season, and all the substantials the market affords, and the Bar with the choicest Wines and Liquors. In short, the Proprietors beg leave to assure the public that no effort shall be wanting on their part to make the Weber House in every respect the most comfortable house in Stockton, and fully adequate in all things to the wants of their patrons. j27-tf

Magnolia House,
CHANNEL STREET, STOCKTON.
J. C MORRIS, PROPRIETOR.

THE Proprietor of this popular Hotel takes pleasure in announcing to his former patrons and the public generally, that having completed the entire re-modeling of his establishment—one of the most complete and extensive Hotels in California—he is now prepared for the reception of the public. No expense has been spared in refitting and furnishing every department with all the modern improvements that would add comfort and luxury in making it truly a model Hotel.
The proprietor would take pleasure in greeting his old friends and patrons at his new establishment, assuring them that every attention they may have received at his hands heretofore, will be renewed on the occasion.
TERMS—Of Board, Lodging, &c., on the same liberal scale as before. j27-tf

J. H. COGHILL & CO.,

HAVE Removed to the New and commodious Brick Store,
137 *Front street, one door north of Jackson, San Francisco,*
where they offer at the lowest market rates, their large and fresh stock of
GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.
feb3-1m

SOMETHING NEW
AT THE
Cochituate Baths!
57 *Sansome street, between California and Pine, San Francisco.*

THE ROYAL TURKISH LINEN BATHING TOWELS, Just received.
NOW IN USE AT THE COCHITUATE BATHS!
The only house in the State where this healthy and agreeable luxury can be enjoyed.

THIS is the best article ever invented for bathing purposes, and received a premium at the World's Fair. Their superiority over every description of Towel, consists in their great sharpness, combined with flexibility and absorption, and are highly approved and recommended by the faculty as the most beneficial and invigorating article now in use.
Single baths only $0,75
Or ten tickets for 5,00
Separate appartments for ladies.
MASON & McCOMBE,
feb3-tf Proprietors.

WELLS, FARGO & CO.'S
NEW YORK, EUROPEAN AND CALIFORNIA,
EXPRESS AND BANKING COMPANY.
CAPITAL, $500,000.
PRINCIPAL OFFICES—16 Wall Street, New York, Express Building, corner of Montgomery and California streets, San Francisco.
8, Place de la Bourse, Paris.

WELLS, FARGO & CO. dispatch an Express to New York, and every city and town of the Atlantic States, by every steamer of the Regular Lines running between New York and San Francisco, both by the
NICARAGUA AND PANAMA ROUTES,
accompanied by a Special Messenger on each steamer.
A DAILY EXPRESS, (accompanied by messengers,) is received and dispatched at SAN FRANCISCO, from and to SACRAMENTO, and all towns in the Northern Mines.
—ALSO—
From and to STOCKTON, and all towns in the Southern Mines.
Their Express to PORTLAND and the interior of OREGON, is dispatched by each steamer of the Mail Line.
Their Express to EUROPE is dispatched, via New York and the steamers of the Collins' Line.
SIGHT DRAFTS on New York, Philadelphia, Boston, St. Louis and Cincinnati.
—ALSO—
Payable in almost all the principal cities and towns in the Atlantic States and the Canadas.
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WELLS, FARGO & CO.,
J. M. VANSYCKLE, Agent.
SIGHT DRAFTS on all the above offices of Wells, Fargo & Co., for sale at the office of Stelle's Express, Mariposa.
feb10-tf G. W. STELLE.

NOTICE TO THE MILLION!!!
GEO. H. JOHNSON'S
First Premium Pioneer Daguerrean Gallery, San Francisco,

THE frequent liability under which the public now rest, of being deceived while in search of the ORIGINAL JOHNSON'S GALLERY,
so favorably and extensively known as being the First Premium Gallery on the Pacific, as well as for the SUPERIORITY OF LIKENESSES AND PICTURES, both as to fidelity and tone of artistic finish, has induced the subscriber to give the public a
WARNING AGAINST IMPOSITION!
His establishment is at the Corner of Montgomery and Clay streets, directly opposite Wells' building. Remember it is the
CORNER BUILDING, OVER THE DRUG STORE.
Be careful to observe the name of G. H. Johnson, he having no connection with the Johnson, next door to his establishment.
STEROSCOPIC PICTURES,
the greatest wonder of the age, taken with all the latest improvements in the art; being enabled by new and extensive additions to apparatus, to surpass any other artist in this city.
SINGLE, OR FAMILY GROUP PICTURES,
taken in the first style of the art, and put up in any variety of case, or in lockets, breast pins, rings, bracelets, watches, canes, pencils, caskets, christaloopes, or any other known style.
NO CHARGE FOR PICTURES,
if they do not give the most unlimited satisfaction. The public are respectfully invited to call and examine specimens of Pictures in my Gallery. A liberal share of public patronage is solicited.
Perfect satisfaction will be guaranteed.
feb10-tf GEO. H. JOHNSON.

NEW YORK BRANCH!
NEW GOODS AND NEW STYLES!
Corner Clay and Kearny sts., San Francisco.

WE take pleasure to announce to our friends and the public of San Francisco generally, that we have opened a large and fashionable assortment of
BOOTS AND SHOES,
at the above place, among which is to be found Ladies', Gentlemen's and Children's, a full assortment of all kinds of Children's Ware, from all the celebrated Manufactories of the East.
We most respectfully invite those about purchasing to call and examine our stock before purchasing.
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MEETING OF THE CITIZENS OF MARIPOSA.

MARIPOSA, Oct. 25th, 1853.

Pursuant to a call, the citizens of Mariposa and vicinity assembled this evening at the Southern Hotel to take into consideration the report of the Superintendent of Indian Affairs in California, of date the 26th of February, 1853.

Hon. J. M. Bondurant was called to the chair, and Sam'l Bell appointed secretary. The chairman briefly explained the object of the meeting. Hon. J. H. Wade addressed a few remarks to the meeting, and expressed a desire to hear from Col. Blanton McAlpin who was present.

A call was made for that gentleman, who came forward and addressed the assemblage at length.

On motion, a committee of seven, consisting of Hon. J. H. Wade, Jas. McVicar, Esq., John Boling, Esq., Edw. C. Bell, Esq., Col. S. A. Merritt, B. B. Harris, Esq., and Green B. Abel, Esq. were appointed to prepare and report resolutions for the action of this meeting.

The committee reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

On motion, the meeting then adjourned.

J. M. BONDURANT, Chairman.
SAM. BELL, Secretary.

Whereas, By a report made to the Congress or to the United States in February last, by the Superintendent of Indian Affairs in California, we, a portion of the citizens of this State, are represented as being exceedingly barbarous and cruel to the Indians located among us; it is also represented that all the Indian wars of California have been prosecuted by parties unauthorized by law, who have reported them to the newspapers as war exploits; and that frequent massacres of defenceless women and children have taken place, one of which is represented as having occurred in July, 1852, in this section of the State, which the Superintendent states was premeditated by the whites for weeks before it was consumated; and that the Indians are driven from their hunting grounds and fishing waters by the whites, and when they return to procure the necessaries for subsistence they are usually shot down; and that the Indians are compelled to work without compensation, and like cattle, when the work season is over, turned out to starve and die. Speaking of Indians in this region of the country, the Superintendent says: "There are from 75,000 to 100,000 Indians in that country, and probably not a week passes in which some are not killed, or worked and starved to death."

Therefore, be it *Resolved*, That we the citizens of Mariposa and Tulare Counties here assembled, do know that the largest collection of Indians in this State, is now and has been, ever since California became a part of the Union, in the borders of these Counties, and we know that none of them have been compelled to work contrary to their own will, unless the Indian Agents or those who have acted for them, have compelled them so to do. We do know that hundreds of them have been fed and clothed by American citizens, without pay or the expectation of pay.

Resolved, That the Indian wars which occurred in this section of the State were imperatively demanded at the time, and that the people of Mariposa, which at that time comprised the Territory of Mariposa and Tulare, petitioned the Governor of this State, and the Legislature then in session, repeatedly before the troops were ordered into the field, and we feel assured that no demand has been made against the State for pay, for services rendered or provisions and provender furnished, except when the troops had been regularly ordered into the field by the Governor of the State, and we further believe and many of us know, that the Government of the United States failed to protect and defend the lives and property of our people in this section of the State, and we were compelled to call upon the State authority for that protection, which fact must have been known to the Superintendent and our representatives in Congress.

Resolved, That it is a notorious fact which will not be denied, that many of our countrymen were butchered and scalped by the Indians long before there was a soldier in the field, or gun fired in retaliation for the murders thus committed. The wicked massacre of fourteen men at the Four Creeks, and the destruction of their property, with many other masacres of a similar character, had taken place, which fact was made known to the Government officers before the Legislature of this State gave power to the Governor to call out our own people to protect the lives and property of our people.

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Indian Affairs, and those who gave him his information in reference to the massacre of defenceless women and children in this section of the State, and particularly the occurrence to which he alludes in the following, which we take from his report, have done great injustice to the American citizens who reside in this section of the State. We know that the attack was not premeditated, and we know that no women and children were killed. We also know that the affray occured at a rancho on King's river, not the rancho of Pasqual, the Christian Indian spoken of; nor was there any of his family injured.

Extract from the Report.—"The above mentioned massacre has many cruel aggravations. It was upon a reservation secured to the Indians upon the faith of the United States. It was plotted for weeks, and so well known to the whites, that news of it went 300 miles to Agent Wozencraft at San Francisco, and he had time to get nearly to the place before it was perpetrated, and kept so secret from the Indians that they had no suspicion until the attack was upon them. It was a massacre of defenceless women and children. The men were absent and at work; the head man, Pasqual, a Christian Indian and a good man, to me well known for years, being actually at work on the house in which I passed a part of last winter at another reservation, and where he went home from work, found all his family destroyed. It is a reality of the history of Logan's family; and for all this there was no redress in the country. The Governor of the State did not answer the letter officially addressed to him. The United States District Attorney could find no law to apply to the case, and the leader of the massacre was elected County Judge. There are from 70,000 to 100,000 Indians in that country, and not a week passes in which some are not killed, or worked and starved to death.

Accounts of the killings usually appear in the newspapers, and as such accounts are mostly derived from the actors, they appear as war exploits and expeditions for which the United States is called to pay. The total demand for Indian wars in California, it is believed is near a million of dollars."

Resolved, In our opinion it was the duty of our Senators, and Representatives in Congress, to protect the character of the State, and their constituents whenever or wherever assailed, and we regret to say they have done neither in the above instance.

Resolved, That the plan recommended by the Superintendent of Military Reserves is the same as suggested by Col. McKee, former Indian Commissioner, and differs but slightly from the reservation system adopted by the former Commissioners, which was so fully denounced and condemned by the Legislature and the people of this State, that we are at a loss to know how our Representatives in Congress, with the instructions of the Legislature of this State before them, could, for one moment, lend their aid to establish it for the government of the Indians of California.

Resolved, In our opinion, that the Legislature of 1851-'2 expressed the sense of the people of this State, when they instructed our Senators and Representatives to use their influence to have the Indians removed beyond the limits of the same, and made to occupy lands not inhabited by American citizens. Experience has shown that the white and red man cannot live and thrive together.

Resolved, In our opinion, the Government of the United States has no right to select the territory of a sovereign State to establish reservations for the Indians, nor for any other purpose, without the consent of the State.

Resolved, In our opinion, that it will be impossible to select ten miles square in the mountain region of California, without finding gold thereon, in which event a conflict of jurisdiction will arise between the citizens of the Stae authority and the military, or Government of the United States.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this meeting be, and he is hereby instructed to have these proceedings published in one or more of the newspapers of this State, and that he forward copies to the Legislature of the State, the President of the United States, the Secretary of War, and our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

At a meeting of the citizens of Mariposa held at Milerton, on the San Joaquin, on the 29th day of October, to take into consideration a report made by the Superintendent of Indian Affairs for this State, and the action of the citizens of this town and vicinity of Mariposa, in reference thereto, the following officers were selected: For Chairman, Mr. H. S. Vaughn, and Mr. James T. Crookshank for Secretary.

The chairman briefly explained the objects of the meeting, and, upon motion, Col. McAlpin addressed the meeting, after which the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the resolutions adopted by the citizens of Mariposa, meet with our hearty approval, and we hereby adopt them as the sense of this meeting.

H. S. VAUGHN, Chairman.
JAMES P. CROOKSHANK, Secretary.

LATER FROM MEXICO.

By the arrival of the John L. Stephens we have dates from the City of Mexico to February 3—a fortnight later. It is reported that Trias, the Governor of Chihuahua, has pronounced against Santa Ana. In his pronunciamento he declares that he has no objection to annexation to the United States, but is determined to anticipate the process by which Santa Ana seems to raise money for his own purposes, i. e. by selling the Northern States of Mexico to the American Union, without consulting the wishes or interests of the natives of the said districts. By proposing annexation on their own account, the annexation may be accomplished without sacrifice of dignity, and on equal footing with the present members of our Confederacy.

This important intelligence is derived from a passenger direct from Mexico, who says he obtained it from the American Secretary of Legation, though the news is suppressed in the City of Mexico by the Mexican Government as far as practicable.

It is said also that Alvarez is raising troops in the State of Guerrero, with the intent also to pronounce, and that from the failure of the usual payments to the troops in Mexico, they also manifest symptoms of revolt. In truth, Walker is unlikely to meet with much obstacle in the consumation of his project for revolutionizing Lower California.

A correspondence of Count Rousset Boulbon, proposing the separation of Sonora, Sinaloa and Durango from the Mexican Union, has been intercepted, and its publication has produced a profound sensation in Mexico. The onerous system of taxation which Santa Ana finds necessary to adopt for the support of his Government, is producing excessive dissatisfaction. It would seem that up to the 3d of February the Mexicans believed that Walker's expedition had been repulsed and compelled to abandon the enterprise.

Ramsey has suspended his express for the present, and has himself gone on to Washington.—*S. F. Herald.*

VALUE OF A SONGSTRESS.—Md'lle Sophie Cruvilli, a short time since signed an engagement with the manager of an Opera, for two years at a salary of £4,000 sterling a year. She is to choose her own parts, to play only twice a week, and to have four months' vacation in each year. In case she is called upon to sing three times a week, the extra night is to be paid £60. A separate engagement is entered into for two months of her *congé*, during the Universal Exhibition of 1855; at the rate of £1,000 per month, so that the salary for the second year will, in fact, be £2000.—*Gold Coast.*

February 22.—Weather is mild and it is raining at intervals.

ORIGINAL DEFECTIVE

MARIPOSA CHRONICLE.

WHITAKER & GOULD, EDITORS.

MARIPOSA:

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 24, 1854

☞ MR. PAUL C. NILES, Mail Carrier between this place and Sonora, is hereby authorised to receive any advertisements, job work, subscriptions, or moneys intended for the Mariposa Chronicle.

Wells, Fargo & Co. have again laid us under obligations, for Atlantic, San Francisco, and Interior papers.

Adams & Co, will please accept our thanks for the prompt delivery of letters and papers, during the past week.

THE SENATORIAL QUESTION.—It is amusing to see what a farce this question has finally dwindled into. Both parties, for and against the election this winter, have presented addresses to the people of the State at large, and both use the same arguments, to convince the sovereigns that they are right. Old established Democrats and Democratic papers are read out of the party, while Whigs are held up as examples of Democracy. We hope the people of Mariposa county will make their wishes known on this subject, and the sooner the better, as we are now about two months behind the times.

COUNTY AFFAIRS.—In another column will be found a card from the Committee appointed by a former Court of Sessions, to examine into the financial condition of the county, in answer to our article of last week, calling upon them and the county officers to make their reports. It is to be regretted that the committee were never fully empowered to act, or ere this time our citizens would have been enlightened upon this point. In our last issue, we merely inquired what had become of the committe, and why it was they had never reported—the committee have answered our questions so far as they are concerned.

According to the statement of the committee, county matters, in the early organization of this county, were managed "in a very loose manner." Now who is to blame? Is there not a certain time fixed by law for the various county officers to make their settlements? and upon their failure to so, whose duty is it to inquire into the matter?

AFFRAY AT KING'S RIVER.—Mr. Charles Hayden was shot about ten days since, in a quarrel, by Mr. Glen. The cause of the quarrel, was reports circulated by Mr. H. derogatory to the character of Mr. Glen. Mr. G. gave himself up to the authorities at the Four Creeks, and was acquitted.

ANOTHER.—On Wednesday last, Fritz, the German boy we noticed as having found the 193 pound piece, found another weighing over 10 ounces, in the same gulch.

We call the attention of those wishing to purchase a ranch and stock, to an advertisement in another column.

On our Fourth page will be found an account of the loss of the steamship San Francisco, together with other items of news from the Atlantic States.

GUADALUPE.—Our accounts from this place are cheering. Miners who have been waiting for water for the past six months, have now sufficient for toming and sluicing purposes, and are making good wages. There is no section that suffers more for the want of a water ditch than this, from the quantity of good surface diggings to be had.

MINING IN HORNITAS.—We make the following extract from "*Peleg's*" letter to the San Juaquin Republican,—it speaks well for the diggings of Hornitas.—"Peleg" is a valuable correspondent, and we would not complain if he was to drop us a line occasionally:

"We have plenty of water now for mining purposes, and everybody seems to be making money. We hear no more grumbling about hard times, scarcity of money, etc. The Canal Company have a large supply of water in their ditch and the miners are able to work in places that before have never been disturbed by pick and shovel. Some companies are making as high as $40 a day to the share; others from $12 to $20, and but very few are making less than half an ounce a day. And yet, but comparatively a small portion of the mining ground in this vicinity is being worked. There are hundreds of claims that were taken up last fall, that are now forfeited, as the claimants, after waiting a long time for water, become discouraged and went in search of other diggins. Some of their claims are being "jumped" every day, and the "jumpers" are almost invariably doing extremely well. We have seen, during the last week, several very respectable looking lumps that have been picked up by the lucky hombres in our camp.—One weighing 53 ounces, mixed with quartz; another weighing 18 ounces, and another 10 ounces, besides many other smaller lumps. There are some quartz veins in this neighborhood, and the ravines immediately below them are generally very rich and abound in valuable specimens of gold and quartz. Some have been found containing more than a thousand dollars worth of gold. I am now working a place from which a number of valuable lumps have been taken, and I expect the next time I write you, I can say that 'Peleg' is the hapy possessor of a lump about the size of a common pumpkin."

THE WEATHER.—During the past week we have had alternate days of sunshine and rain—sunshine one day ahead.

We publish on our first page to-day the proceedings of a meeting held at the Southern Hotel, in this place, on the 25th of last October, in relation to Lieutenan Beale's Report in reference to Indian affairs in this State, and published in the S. F. Times and Transcript of November 17th following.

THE DEBT OF MARIPOSA COUNTY.

Nearly four years have elapsed since the first organization of this County, and during that time, if we are correctly informed by those who pretend to be acquainted with the County affairs, we have accumulated a debt of nearly thirty thousand dollars—our expenditures exceeding our revenue by about seven thousand dollars per annum. It is not our intention at this time to enquire into or speak of the causes which superinduced this large debt, but only to suggest some method by which we may be relieved of the cumbersome debt, which like an incubus, weighs down and depresses our finances.

The only method in our humble opinion by which we can restore our credit, and establish it upon a firm basis, is by a judicious system of funding. The principal of funding is no new and untried experiment, but has been tested by nearly every state in the Union, and has been found to equal the most sanguine expectations of its advocates. California, too, has tried the system and by its workings has raised the value of her paper at home and abroad from forty cents on the dollar to nearly par value. Every City of any note in this state has tested the system, and has found it to work well. San Francisco, El Dorado, San Joaquin, and Sacramento counties, have adopted this system, and are now rapidly relieving themselves from their financial burdens. With so many examples before us, we only wonder that the authorities of this County have not long since applied to the Legislature for an act to fund our debt.

In the early organization of this County, (we speak of 1850-51,) when the revenue was small at best, and probably badly collected and worse accounted for, there was some reason why the expenditures should exceed the revenue *as reported* by the financial officers, but now there is no good reason why under the present system of revenue laws there should not be ample revenue collected to meet the current expenses of the County, and have a yearly surplus to apply to the extinguishment of the old debt.

We should apply to the Legislature for an act funding all of the County indebtedness up to the first day of May 1854—the bonds to be issued in leiu of outstanding County warrants, to be of fifty, one hundred, two hundred and five hundred dollars each, bearing interest at ten per cent per annum—the interest to be paid semi-annually at the Treasurer's office upon presentation of the coupons; each coupon would be a receipt to the Treasurer for that amount of interest.—Then set apart a portion of the County Revenue to be collected in cash, and let it be inviolably applied *only* to the payment of the interest upon the funded debt, and to form a Sinking Fund for the payment of the principal at maturity. Issue the Bonds payable in ten years, but at the same time authorize the County Treasurer, at the end of each fiscal year to advertise the amount of cash on hand in the Sinking Fund, and notify holders of bonds that he will receive sealed proposals for the cancelling of so much of the funded County debt; the money to be paid to the lowest bidder—that is, the person who is willing to surrender his Bonds for the lowest amount in cash. In this way much of the debt could be cancelled at less than par value. The system we have proposed has been tried by the State, and a large amount of her Bonds cancelled by the payment of less than their par value. Say for instance that $25,000 of the debt is thus funded, it will take $2500 to pay the yearly interest. Set aside $5000 of the revenue of the County to pay this interest and create a Sinking Fund. Without the system proposed this would in ten years cancel the whole debt; but by advertising yearly for the sealed proposials as mentioned above, the debt could be cancelled in less than seven years.

It has been objected by the opponents of this system; first, that we would pay a large sum in the way of interest to the holders of bonds; second, that it would work hardship to those persons who have received Scrip at its par value and cannot afford to wait so long as ten years for its redemption. We answer as to the first objection, that the County would pay no more interest than she does now, as all Scrip which has been presented and endorsed by the treasurer bears interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum. As to the second objection, we say that nearly all the Scrip issued in small sums to the creditors of the County passes into the hands of speculators; at rates greatly under par value, and they can well afford to wait ten years, receiving all the while ten per cent per annum; besides, we should have no consideration for that class of persons, who like cormorants, prey upon the necessities of others. The outstanding or floating debt thus funded, the expenditures of the County could and ought to be reduced to a cash basis, and conducted upon the most economical plan.

At present in most instances the County pays just about double in Scrip, that she should pay in cash—for instance, an office is to be rented which is worth in cash fifty dollars per month; the lessor in presenting his bill for rent calculates that scrip is worth fifty cents on the dollar, and consequently in order to save himself must necessarily charge one hundred dollars in Scrip, for what he would willingly take fifty dollars in cash. Thus it is in regard to almost every thing the County pays for. She issues Scrip at about fifty cents on the dollar and must redeem it at par value. We venture the assertion, without fear of successful contradiction, that Mariposa County now pays in Scrip (which she must redeem in cash) nearly 33 1-3 per cent more than the true value of every article she uses, and every kind of service for which she pays. A general saving of more than $5000 could be made by adopting the system we propose. An officer who now receives $3000 in Scrip would inainitely prefer receiving $2000 in cash; for he would be benefited, and the county would save $1000 besides interest. Some persons say that the revenues of the County are increasing, and that she can extinguish her debt in a few years, without the necessity of funding. Acknowledge for the sake of argument that their position is correct, (although in fact we deny it in toto,) and still what harm can arise from funding, if we can find at the end of two years, we have a surplus on hands sufficient to pay all of the old debet, it can be very easily called in and paid at the end of two as well as ten years.

The system we have thus attempted to advocate, will not of itself work wonders, but must meet with the hearty co-operation of those in power. Officers must be held to strict accountability; the revenue must be promptly collected, and promptly paid over; Courts must meet and discharge the public business with dispatch, instead of wasting two weeks in the transaction of business that could be as easily accomplished in four days; in short, every department of County affairs should be characterized by energy, and an earnest desire to meet the public demands, and in a few years our County, rich as she is in all things that constitute wealth, would be out of debt; public buildings sufficient to meet our wants, would be erected, and her treasury would be ever ready to meet every proper demand made upon it.

We have thus attempted briefly to call public attention to this matter, and although we have only given a brief summary of the system we propose, we hope that it will be sufficient to cause a beneficial change in the financial affairs of our County.

[CORRESPONDENCE OF THE MARIPOSA CHRONICLE.]

COULTERVILLE, FEB. 23. 1854.

Messrs. Editors: Thinking a few lines from this portion of the County occasionally may not come amiss, I will endeavor to advise you of anything new which may turn up. Your paper is very much liked, and you should have a good subscription list from here, judging from the enquiries after copies of the "Chronicle" in all the stores and public places after the arrival of the Mariposa mail. We are having the "good time" now in the way of rain, for while I am inditing this it is falling down in torrents; this of course has partly suspended mining operations for a few days, but when the rain holds up, the "Boys" can then "spread themselves," and I can promise you a good account of our prospects in that line in my next. Our little village is very quiet, and the people generally peacably disposed. An occasional "muss" would serve to enliven my "notes" but I fear they will continue to be devoid of anything pertaining to the horrible.—"So mote it be." Yours truly, P. Q.

CHEROKEE FLAT.—We are informed says the Calaveras Chronicle, by a highly respectable and well informed gentleman from San Francisco, who has been extensively engaged in the Quartz mining business since "forty-nine," that he yesterday examined the newly discovered quartz mines in Cherokee Flat, near Angel's Camp, which he pronounces the richest mine ever discovered in the State. The vein is composed of decomposed or rotton quartz and clay, intermixed with gold so thickly as to be plainly seen with the naked eye; in fact, in many portions the vein consists of gold in the pure state. The vein has been prospected to the depth of twenty-five feet, and is nine inches in width at the bottom, and has the appearance of extending down some 150 or 200 feet. The location is an excellent one in regard to wood and water; and in his opinion, this vein, when better known, will be the leading vein in the State. It is found in an extensive range of hills, and will doubtless be traced for miles. A company of Italians and Frenchmen are the discoverers, and this gentleman informs us that he offered them a large amount for their claim, but they refused to sell for less than $25,000 in cash. He also offered them $500 for a small sack (about twenty pounds) of earth and quartz obtained from the vein, which they refused, supposing it to contain more than that amount.

BUSINESS.—For the past week times have been brisk, trade good, and every person seems satisfied. Times are once more termed good. Miners are making good wages, and our merchants are selling their goods.

PERSONAL.—Among the arrivals by the John L. Stephens, we are pleased to observe those of ex-Senator Foote, of Mississippi, and Major General Wool, U. S. A, with numerous other military officers. General Wool assumes the place now occupied by General Hitchcock as commander-in-chief of the United States troops in California.

The movements of Count Raousset de Boulbon have been long involved in mystery. At length, however, the riddle has been solved. He was nothing more nor less than a filibuster. Several important documents have been discovered and published. He proposed to create a new republic out of Sonora, Chihuahua, Sinaloa, and Durango. Gen. LeVega was to be Governor, and 6,000 Frenchmen were to support him.—*San Joaquin Republican.*

At the latest advices, the Georgia Legislature had not elected a Senator.

[CORRESPONDENCE OF THE MARIPOSA CHRONICLE.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 19th, '54.

Messrs. Editors:—The last issue of the Prices Current and Shipping List cast such a dismal look on every thing commercially speaking, down here, that I cannot muster courage to give you isolated instances, where any species of merchandise has realized more than nominal prices. Particular instances should not be cited to show an improved state of trade, for such cannot justly be considered a fair criterian to judge by. The market, therefore, for most every description of merchandise may be said to be dull. Speculators do not evince a desire to invest. With a knowledge of a glutted market, and no purchasers, an investment *now* would be similar to those nightly made at the brick edifice on Kearny street, opposite the Plaza. It would be somewhat akin to a miracle if it won. There are, however, plenty of McCorbers who are only waiting for "something to turn up," when they will go in to a certainty.

Since the date of my last, our population has been increased, by arrivals per steamers, some 2000, counterbalanced, however, by the departure homeward of about 1200 on the 16th. Among the arrivals, there was a good sprinkling of the fair sex, together with juveniles. The experience of all mankind proves that where women go men are quite apt to follow. I think the converse of that proposition is equally true. China has been reinforced to the extent of 800 also, and a number of females came with them. It is hoped that the morality of these last is less questionable than that of the majority who have heretofore come here.

The majority of the Democratic members of the Legislature of both branches have recently put forth an Address. Subject, the Senatorial Election. It has been extensively read, those papers that did not publish it for *love* doing so for *money* A city daily says "it teems with shallow sophisms, undignified appeals to partizan prejudices, and unmanly and reprehensible personalities." which being the opinion of a large number here, including your correspondent, it is quoted. The Senate have resolved to migrate to Sacramento; should the Lower House concur, it will be a law.

The Fire Department has resolved to celebrate in a becoming manner, the 22d instant—the anniversary of their own organization, and the birth day of Washington. The Street Inspector has promised to have some of the thoroughfares through which they are to go, passable. Since then I have noticed in detached places about the streets, hands employed in prospecting for the planks.

Gas was introduced in the city last Saturday night, and it is to be hoped it will be of more general utility than that of a great deal of a different article of the same name, which is so abundant here.

Major General Wool and Ex-General, Judge, Governor, and Senator Foote, are the largest lions we have amongst us at the present time. The latter gentleman designs making this his permanent place of abode in future. Both of these gentlemen have the faculty of making themselves troops of friends wherever they go. Both are distinguished, both have "rendered the State some service," and both have gathered laurels, thoug in far different fields. I am pleased to see a disposition on all hands to do them honor.

The clipper ship San Francisco was lost in entering the Harbor, through the carelessness of the pilot in charge. She had made a very quick passage of 105 days, and was ladened with a very valuable cargo. It is, therefore, a subject of regret that she should thus be sacrificed, after having in safety braved the perils of the deep. This occurred on the 8th, and in a few days she was sold for the underwriters, who lose some half million by the operation. Her purchasers did not make a very extensive "pile," as the winds and waves near Fort Point, caused her to go to pieces.

The contents of the papers do not offer much temptation to comment. I may notice, however, a remarkable discovery made by some of the theatrical critics, which I venture to say would not be made any where else than in California—which is that Miss Heron is one of the best actresses now on the boards. The surprising histrionic abilities of Mrs. Sinclair is also duly heralded. Now I do not wish to deny to Miss Heron the possession of some considerable talent in her line, or to take away from Mrs. Sinclair what little talent she has, but I do think that no man, unless afflicted with a mental hallucination, could assign either of these ladies the position in the drama they do. The habit of stuffing actresses and actors with such fulsome adulation as this, is what produces so many stars, and a prevalence of those animals always cause a decline in the fortunes of the drama, for when all are stars there is no one to fill the subordinate parts.

The Filibusters have been reinforced, and now have some 400 men at their encampment. A majority had moved about sixty miles from Encenada. The officers of the Portsmouth get along very harmoniously with them. Some desertions are reported, but these are more than counterbalanced by new recruits. We have not had "a horrid accident," "another murder," "shameful affair," or any thing of the kind for some days. It is now almost time for some thing of the sort to happen.

Yours, WILDE.

To Mr. G. W. Stelle, we feel ourselves particularly indebted for the numerous, and in many instances, to us very important Express favors which we are continually receiving at his hands.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMSHIPS

JOHN L. STEPHENS.

AND

SIERRA NEVADA.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

FRANCE AND ENGLAND PREPARING FOR WAR.—England is making active preparations for a war with Russia—for even the best friends of Peace now say it must come to that The massacre of Sinope, the attack upon Matchin—which is on the Turkish territory, and which was a flagrant breach of the promise made by Russia, not to commence an aggressive war—have at last opened the eyes of the most blind. The agents of Russia in Persia, it is said, have induced the Schah of Persia to declare war against Turkey; and accounts state that Persia has organised an army in Central Asia of 20,000 horsemen, of the Mongolian and Tartar tribes. The English representatives at the Court of Persia has been obliged to leave. The Persian army has been placed under the orders of a Russian General, and it is confidently rumored that Russia will attack England in her Indian possessions at the very commencement of hostilities. These proceedings are well calculated to arouse the apprehensions of England, although it is manifest she would still prefer to bring about peace by peaceful means.

Louis Napoleon is preparing for war on the grandest scale. It is known that he will have, by early spring, an invading army of seven hundred thousand men fully equipped. The active part taken by all the Northern Courts, especially that of Austria and Russia, in bringing about the Bourbon fusion, has deeply excited Louis Napoleon. He sees in the success of Nicholas, the re-establishment of the Bourbons in France. Hence, notwithstanding his present apparent friendly relations, or rather pleasant coquetery, with Austria, he will, in a few months, strike for the Italian States, and attempt to hold them as the cost of Austrian alliance with Russian, and the Orleanists and Legitimatists.

The signs clearly indicate a general war in Europe. A settlement of the difficulty by any other means would seem to be impossible. It is believed hostilities cannot be postponed beyond early spring, if so long. Sweden and Denmark are arming, in expectation of active hostilities in the Baltic in spring.

RETURN OF LORD PALMERSTON TO THE MINISTRY.—The Ministerial crisis here may be regarded as over. Palmerston, it is said, demanded a temporary postponement of the electoral reform bill, subject to a fresh examination of the question before the end of the session, and the despatch of instructions to Lord Radcliffe and Admiral Dundas for the immediate entrance of the English fleet into the Black Sea. This was granted, and the noble Lord resumed the seals of the Home Office.

SUMMARY OF STATE NEWS.

MAINE.—The Legislature was to meet at Augusta on the 4th ult. A U. S. Senator is to be chosen at this session.

VERMONT.—A State Temperance Convention was to have been held at Montpelier on the 11th and 12th ult.

MASSACHUSETTS.—At the recent election for Mayor in Boston, Dr. Smith, the Citizens Union candidate, failed of an election by eight votes—so there must be another trial.

The people of Roxbury have rejected the project of annexation to the city of Boston by a decisive vote.

The Legislature was to meet in Boston on the 4th ult.

A petition is in circulation in Boston, praying the Legislature to incorporate a Penny Savings Bank.

A young female, named Adeline Phelps, was recentl tried at Grienfield on a charge of murdering her father by poisoning him. The fact of poisining was pretty conclusively proved but the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty, by reason of insanity. The court directed the prisoner to be sent to the State Asylum for the Insane at Worcester.

CONNECTICUT.—Lucus, the miscreant who was arrested some months since on a charge of placing obstructions upon the Middleton Branch Railroad, has had his trial at Hartford—convicted and sent to State Prison for 10 years. This fellow owns considerable property. He placed numerous obstructions upon the road and exhibited the utmost determination to destroy at least one train of cars, not caring how many lives were lost with them.

NEW YORK.—The New York Journal of Commerce says that the newly adopted rules and regulations for the police of that city, the principal of which is the placing of the men in uniform, are having a salutary effect, and the police organization is now in a state of dicipline and efficiency never before attained. Another important reform has been the appointment of the police to office during good behavior, and without reference to their own political affinities, or to those of the authorities by whom they are appointed.

NEW YORK CITY.—Mayor Westervelt in his message to the new City Council of New York, says the annual expenses of the city now exceeds those of the Goverment of the four largest States in the Union. The Mayor thinks it high time to retrench and reform. The permanent debt of the city is $9,323,708; funded debt, $950,000.

NEW JERSEY.—Mr. Wm. K. Hall, Superintendent, of the Harlam Railroad, has been arrested at the residence of his mother, in West Hoboken, on a Supreme Court writ, for alledged breach of promise. The damages are laid at $20,000. The plaintiff is Miss Anne Howard, of Washington, aged 17.

A six penny Savings Bank is about to be established at Camden.

PENSYLVANIA.—In ten counties there are 263 iron works, and over $11,000,000 of fixed capital employed in the manufacture.

Rev. Dr. McLean, President of Lafayette College, at Easton, has obtained subscriptions toward the endowment of that institution to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, and in honor of this success, there was, on the night of the 2d ult., a grand illumination and torch light procession of the students through the principal streets of the borough.

Dr. Sam'l. McClellan, an eminent physician of Philadelphia, died in that city on the 4th ult., in the 54th year of his age.

FLORIDA.—The Supreme Court met on the 2d inst. at the Capitol in Tallahassee, and commenced its first annual term under the election of the people. All the Judges were present, and the Court was opened with prayer by Bishop Ratledge.

MARYLAND.—The Inauguration of Gov. Ligon took place at Anapolis on the 11th ult.

The ordinance passed by the City Councils of Baltimore, providing for the five million loan to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, has received the approval of the Mayor. It has yet to be submitted to the action of the Legislature, but will no doubt promptly receive from that body its necessary legalization.

VIRGINIA.—The voters of Fredridksburg have decided that the City Council shall subscribe $100,000 to the Water power Company, and the Mayor is authorized to make said subscription payable in thirty years.

Alden B Spooner, a native of Vermont, and for the last 35 years of his life a resident of Petersburg, died in that city on the 27th ult. Mr Spooner was a distinguished member of the Bar.

NORTH CAROLINA.—A South American, from Ecuador, has been smelting a portion of ore from the North Carolina Copper mine, and asserts that it contains a very large proportion of silver, making it more valuable as a silver than as a copper ore. The company are about taking measures to test this matter satisfactorily.

The supreme Court met in Raleigh on the 30th ult; all the Judges present.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—John Frazer, of the firm of John Frazer & Co., one of the oldest and most successful merchants of Charleston, died in that city on the 2d inst.

The Pee Dee Times understands that the small pox is prevailing in certain parts of Williamsburg District, and that the disease was carried there by persons from Charleston.

GEORGIA.—Thomas S. Metcalf has been re-elected President of Mechanics' Bank of Columbus.

Mr. Bacon has been elected Mayor of Columbus.

The Albany Patriot of the 6th inst. says:

At Starksville, Lee County, on Tuesday last, the negroes belonging to the estate of G. S. Oglesby were sold at an average of about one thousand dollars each. The terms were one-third cash, the balance at one and two years, with interest on the last payment. The best men brought about $1,500.

ALABAMA.—The Montgomery Journal learns that Judge Gibbons has resighed his seat on the Bench of the Supreme Court.

Chancellor Towns, of the Northern Division, has resigned—the resignation to take effect on the 25th of February.

A national salute was fired at Montgomery on the morning of the 9th, in honor of the battle of New Orleans.

TENNESSEE.—Ex-Postmaster General, C. Johnson, has been elected President of the Bank of Tennessee, at Nashville.

The Sparta Times says that General Rogers, of White county, has succeeded in obtaining salt water in sufficient quantities to supply that county with salt.

KENTUCKY.—Wm. Lowry & Co.'s tobacco factory, fronting on Centre street, Louisville, was, with the exception of one wing, consumed by fire on the 29th ult.

Three thousand dollars has been subscribed in Covington for the Clay monument.

The Merchants' Exchange, in Louisville, was to be opened for the supply of Commercial news, and the transaction of business, on the 2d ult.

Taylor & Co.'s Pork house, at Covington, was destroyed by fire on the night of the 31st Dec. Loss estimated at $40.000—partly covered by insurance.

On the 29th ult. regular passenger trains commenced running on the Maysville and Lexington road, between Lexington and Paris.

OHIO.—Mr. Nicholson's church, (Episcopal,) corner of Plum and Seventh streets, Cincinnati, which was built at a cost of $140,000, is advertised at Sheriff's sale. There is a debt of some 90,000 yet upon it.

INDIANA.—Judge Conrad Baker, of Vandalburg common pleas court, has resigned his seat on account of the inadequacy of the salary.

On the morning of the 26th ult., a fire occurred in the town of Thornton, consuming nine buildings, and causing a loss of $25,000.

ILLINOIS.—A fireman, named Jas. O'Neil, was killed on the Alton and Springfield Raiload, near Alton, on the 24th ult The truck of the engine passed over him, horribly mangling his body and cutting off both his legs.

MICHIGAN.—Accounts from Michigan represent that the liquor law is working admirably in the suppression of grog shops and tippling houses.

The College at Alban was totally destroyed by fire on the morning of the 4th inst. The contents were mostly saved. Loss estimated at $15,000. No insurance.

IOWA.—One of the most important improvements ever proposed for Iowa is about to be carried into effect—we mean the improvement of the navigation of the Des Moines river by slackwater. The increased navigability of the stream is of trifling importance compared with the water that will be obtained by the dams and locks for manufacturing purposes.—The contract has been taken by Henry O'Reilly for eastern capitalists.

LOUISIANA.—A body of sailors, to the number of three hundred and over, marched along the streets yesterday with fifes, and drums and shouts, and banners flying for "Free Trade and Sailors' Rights." They appeared to be marshalled by the Sailors' Boarding House Keepers, and are avoweadly on a strike for higher wages on the Hyer (Tom) law principle.

We learn that quite an extensive fire occurred in Carrolton this morning, between the hours of five and six. The property consumed was in the most flourishing and thickly settled part of the town, and will be a severe blow to our enterprising neighbors. We understand that a large part of the property was insured. The total loss will be between twenty and twenty-five thousand dollars.

PROCLAMATION OF THE PRESIDENT AGAINST THE FILIBUSTERS.

On the 18th of January, President Pierce issued a Proclamation warning all persons connected with the Expedition to Lower California that the penalties of the law denounced against such criminal conduct will be rigidly enforced; and he exhorts all good citizens as they regard our National character—as they respect our laws, or the law of Nations—as they value the blessings of peace and the welfare of their country—to discountenance, and by all law and means to prevent such criminal enterprises. And he calls upon all officers of the Government, civil and military, to use any efforts which may be in their power, to arrest for trial and punishment every such offender.

ORIGINAL DEFECTIVE

MARIPOSA CHRONICLE.

ANNIVERSARY BALL AT UPPER AGUA FRIO.—In honor of the Birth Day of Washington, Mr. Samuel M. Ketton of Agua Frio gave a Ball on the evening of the 22d. During part of the day and evening, it rained so hard as almost to preclude a possibility of there being a ball, but in despite of the bad weather and roads, there were some twenty couple in attendance—just enough to form a good social party. About 9 o'clock P. M., wagging tongues gave place to flying feet, and Terpsichore reigned supreme from that time until broad daylight.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ketten, much praise is given by the party, for the polite, courteous, and hospitable manner in which they were treated. To Mrs. K. be all credit for the good, substantial, and luxurious supper. We have never enjoyed a better in our life.

The music was done up by *Little* Jersey, in the "big peach style."

FROM OREGON.—By the steamer Peytona which arrived at San Francisco on the 19th, we have dates from Oregon to the 15th inst.

The Legislature adjourned on the 1st February, having remained in session sixty days, the full time allowed by the Organic Law of the territory.

Four counties have been created, a code of general laws has been passed, and a bill has been passed, ordering a vote to be taken in June on the question of the formation of a State Government. If there be a majority for the Sate organization, the Governor will order an election for members of the Convention in September, and in February, 1855, the Convention will meet.

In business matters there is little doing beyond the ordinary supply of the people. There is understood to be a full stock of staple goods on hand. The low price of lumber in San Francisco is felt sensibly, that being the leading staple of the country.

Elk have been killed in great abunsance near Astoria during the recent cold weather. It is supposed the deep snows in the mountains had a tendency to drive them down on the river bottoms where they could get food.

The ice has again disappeared from the rivers and navigation opened.

Gold, the circulating medium of the country is quite scarce, and in consequence, property changes hands at large reductions from former prices. There seems to be plenty of merchandise on hand to supply the trade. No mule trains have taken goods from the Willamette valley to the mines for several months—so that this formerly important trade has left us, and seeks accommodation at Scottsburgh and Coos Bay.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.—The election for Congressional Delegate and members of the Legislature was held on the 30th.

Full returns have not been received, but it is conceded that Columbia Lancaster,(democrat) is elected delegate. It is thought that the Whigs will have a majority in the Legislature, but the majority will not be more than one or two either way. Lancaster will start to Washington on the next steamer.

PUNCHIANA.—*An Ancient Writ Discovered.*—In looking over an old law book, known as Blackstone's Commentaries, Vol. 5, on page 16.040, in the Notes, a prec dent for a writ was found, by which about twenty of the B'Hoys got away from Marshal Seguine and Recorder Baker on Friday last.

This obsolete process is known as the Writ of *Habeus Grab-us*—so called to distinguish it from the Habeas Corpus. It is a writ preliminary to the Habeas Corpus, and being served on the Marshal late at night was supposed to be a genuine Habeas Corpus. Indeed, the Judge labelled it a Habeas Corpus, and the seal made it look like a Habeas Corpus, and the Sergeant thought it was a Habeas Corpus; but to be sure, hewoke up the Recorder to get his legal opinion. The latter mounted his spectacles, took a look, and pronounced it a *Habeas Grab-us*. As the writ ordered a general "jail delivery," the prison was unlocked and the B'Hoys let loose.

Then came the Habeas Corpus, requiring the Marshal to bring the prisoners before the Judge next day. But the Marshal returned he could not, as they had all "cut stick" under the Habeas Grabus. The advantage of this writ is, any body can issue it as well as a Judge—only so the officer obeys it.

Horrors of War.—Since the days of Wouter Van Twiller or Peter Stuyvesant, no war has been so vigorously waged as that by the United States gainst the Filibusters. First—President Pierce actually sent a vessel with several guns to Encenada. Second—Came that frightful proclamation. Third—The United States' officers went into President Walker's camp, and over a public dinner, settled all preliminaries for a bloody battle to come off between this and New Year's next, unless Santa Anna should join the Filibusters. It really seems as if the whole world was going to war!!!—*S. F. Evening Journal.*

A large number of the friends of Gen. Wool and Governor Foote, met those gentlemen at the St. Nicholas, on the morning of their departure for San Francisco. Speeches and appropriate sentiments were delivered. Governor Foote comes to California with the purpose of practising law.

The steamship San Francisco was insured in Wall street for the sum of $300,000.

The destruction of life and property at sea during the year 1853, is without a parallel in any previous year—one hundred and thirty vessels having been totally lost, and about two thousand souls. It is supposed that at least two-thirds of this number of vessels were lost in the month of December last.

John Mitchel's new paper, the Citizen, has made its appearance and its mark in New York. The Times of January 21st, says:

"John Mitchell has brought a hornet's nest about his ears by his pronunciamento in favor of Slavery, and his frankly expressed wish that he owned a plantation of negroes in Alabama. He promises in next week's Citizen a more detailed exposition of his views upon the subject."

The steamers Yankee Blade and Uncle Sam are to be transferred to the Ramsey route, to ply between Acapulco and San Francisco, in connection with Vanderbilt's yacht, the North Star, on the Atlantic.

A CARD.

Messrs. Editors: In reply to the article which appeared in your last number in reference to the report of the financial affairs of the County, we desire to make a few remarks.

The Grand Jury at the August term 1853, recommended a committe be appointed to examine into and report upon the financial condition of the County. The Court accordingly appointed Messrs. Samuel A. Merritt, E. E. Hewitt, H. S. Brockway, Chas. Gray and John W. Clark a committee for that purpose. Messrs. Merritt, Hewitt, Clark and Gray entered upon the discharge of of their duties on the 15th of August and terminated them on the 15th of Sept., having been engaged a much longer time than was expected, owing to the accounts in the early existence of the County having been kept in a very loose manner, and from the fact that no settlements had been made by its officers since its organization.

The report had then to be written out, but owing to the absence of one of the gentlemen of the Committee and the impossibillity of the attention of the others, it was neglected. Matters remained in this situation until November, when it was decided by the Hon District Court that the Court of Sessions at its August term, held by two associate justices only, was illegally constituted and thus virtually destroyed the power with which the Committee had been vested. The Committee being thus powerless could not present a report which would be of further force than the mere personal opinions of a few men, neither could they demand an allowance for services, and accordingly they never asked or received one dollar for their labors.

The Grand Jury at the December term then called upon the Committee for information, and Messrs. Merritt and Gray were examined before them, and an explanation given of the accounts and papers, which were produced to the 15th of September. The Grand Jury then recommended a new Committee consisting of Messrs. Saml. A. Merritt, E. E. Hewitt, Chas. Gray and, A. Blumenthal, to continue the examination and bring the accounts up to the end of the year. Upon this recommendation no action was taken by the Court. Some of the Committee declined to serve.

Our position we trust will be at once clearly understood,—appointed by an illegally constituted Court, we nevertheless discharged our duties—entitled in justice to a compensation for our services—we have never received one dollar, and determined to act justly and honorably, we could not produce a report without being authorized to do so.

We would now respectfully suggest the plan that a Committee *properly appointed by the Court*, enter upon their duties, and all the information or assistance we can render them will be cheerfully granted.

And in conclusion we will say, that as members of the Committee, we were not actuated by any motives of "fear, favor or affection" of any person, or of any party, having in our papers made no charge, or record to which we would not be perfectly willing to swear.

Mariposa, February 17th. 1854.

SAM'L. A. MERRITT,
E. EDWARD HEWITT,
CHA'S. GRAY.

[CORRESPONDENCE OF THE MARIPOSA CHRONICLE.]

AGRICULTURE.

MERCED RIVER, Feb. 21st, 1854.

Messrs. Editors—It is quite difficult to take up an abstruse subject, and concisely discuss it through a miscellaneous country paper in a manner that will interest general readers, especially when they do not themselves feel an interest in the subject under consideration.

At the present time Agriculture is certainly the most important subject that can be brought before your readers. Many of them are engaged in one or more of its different branches, yet any thing upon the subject is less entertaining than almost any thing else which may be found in your interesting paper, except a *long advertisement*, and is the last, though it may be the most deserving, to be read. This is not as it should be. Many of your readers are competent, if they felt that interest in their various occupations which it would be natural to expect, to write able desertations for publication upon subjects of vital importance to farmers generally. Why is it there is so much apathy in the community at large upon these subjects? I account for it in this wise: A large portion of the farmers of out county came to California to make their *pile*, and return to the places from whence they came. As a matter of course, to get money, and get it in a *hurry*, has been and is in many, if not most cases, still the rule of action. Those who do not intend to return are infected with the same mania, to a greater or less extent. This policy, if followed up, will be ruinous to the future prosperity of the farmer. In our haste to get rich, we are apt to overlook what may and most probably *will*, be the consequence of any particular procedure on the farm, only so we can make the most money in the shortest space of time. Thus our cases become analagous to the one mentioned by Æsop in one of his fables, where a fool who had a goose that layed daily a gold egg, killed the goose to obtain all the eggs at once.

As I have promised to be short, and to take up the subject I intended now would make this communication intolerably long, I will defer it.

I hope no one of your readers will consider me personal, although I do intend a little personality to those who *can* write and won't.

LOUIS MASON.

ANALYSIS OF THE ASSESSMENT ROLL OF MARIPOSA COUNTY FOR THE YEAR 1853.

Whole number of persons and companies assessed 2090

John C. Fremont's Claim (undecided)			$500,000
1 Quartz Company			94,000
1	do	do	28,400
1	do	do	12,000
1	do	do	11,000
1	do	do	8,000
1	do	do	6,500
1	do	do	5,000
1	do	do	5,000
1	Mining	do	4,125
1	person worth		42,680
1	do	do	15,400
1	do	do	13,800
1	do	do	13,750
1	do	do	12,500
1	do	do	11,500
4	do	do	40,000
1	do	do	9,700
1	do	do	9,180
1	do	do	8,500
1	do	do	8,300
2	do	do	16,000
2	do	do	14,800
1	do	do	7,000
1	do	do	6,650
1	do	do	6,600
1	do	do	6,450
1	do	do	6,200
2	do	do	12,000
1	do	do	5,800
1	do	do	5,750
1	do	do	5,700
1	do	do	5,650
1	do	do	5,500
1	do	do	5,400
1	do	do	5,300
1	do	do	5,050
7	do	do	35,000
2	do	do	8,800
1	do	do	4,300
1	do	do	4,280
1	do	do	4,200
1	do	do	4,050
9	do	do	36,000
1	do	do	3,900
1	do	do	3,550
1	do	do	3,550
5	do	do	17,500
2	do	do	6,800
1	do	do	3,300
1	do	do	3,250
6	do	do	19,200
1	do	do	3,000
1	do	do	3,050
16	do	do	48,000
1	do	do	2,980
1	do	do	2,950
1	do	do	2,850
1	do	do	2,800
2	do	do	5,400
1	do	do	2,675
2	do	do	5,200
1	do	do	2,575
1	do	do	2,525
1	do	do	2,524
10	do	do	25,000
1	do	do	2,475
1	do	do	2,425
4	do	do	9,600
4	do	do	9,200
1	do	do	2,241
1	do	do	2,235
1	do	do	2,225
1	do	do	2,222
5	do	do	11,000
1	do	do	2,175
1	do	do	2,150
1	do	do	2,125
1	do	do	2,050
17	do	do	34,000
3	do	do	5,700
9	do	do	16,200
1	do	do	1,750
1	do	do	1,725
3	do	do	5,100
1	do	do	1,680
4	do	do	6,600
5	do	do	8,000
1	do	do	1,575
2	do	do	3,100
11	do	do	16,500
2	do	do	2,900
7	do	do	9,800
1	do	do	1,350
7	do	do	9,100
1	do	do	1,290
1	do	do	1,275
1	do	do	1,250
15	do	do	18,000
2	do	do	2,300
1	do	do	1,125
10	do	do	11,000
1	do	do	1,080
2	do	do	2,100
1	do	do	1,050
34	do	do	34,000

Total amount of assessment.....$1,681,422

RECAPITULATION.

J. C. Fremont's Land Claim	$500,000
Eight Quartz Companies	169,000
One Mining Company	4,125
Two hundred and eighty persons worth, $826,382, or $2,951 each	826,382
Eighteen hundred persons worth $181,015, or $100,56 each	181,015
	$1,681,422

The Supplement to this Assessment should show about 400 persons more, whose wealth can probably be estimated at the same rate as the 1800 above, that is $100,55 each.

CONGRESSIONAL.

There has been no Government action relative to Gadsden's treaty, but it is generally, so far as its terms are known, approved of. The news of Walker's expedition has reached Washington, and has given rise to some discussion in Congress. Mr. Gwin introduced in the Senate a resolution calling upon the President for a statement of the National forces, Naval and Military, now on the Pacific coast. The honorable gentleman was of opinion that such as were now at the disposal of the Federal authorities in California are wholly inadequate to the suppression of Filibustering enterprises. The resolution was laid over.

By the Gadsden treaty nothing is gained to the United States but the Mesilla Valley, and a railroad route to the Pacific, with a release from the responsibility of protecting the Northern Frontier of Mexico against the Indians. For these the United States are to pay $20,000,000; $5,000,000 of this sum are set aside for the indemnity of the Garay people.

The mail routes to California have been under consideration of Congress. The friends of the Nicaragua route are urging its claims to a share of the mail transportation; and Commodore Vanderbilt, having adopted the Ramsey route, is now in Washington, pressing advantages which it is maintained to offer.

Senator Douglass' Nebraska bill is producing excitement among the Freesoilers. It proposes to open that Territory to immigration from the Slave States; thus abandoning the Missouri Compromise.

Nothing has been lately said in Congress relative to the Pacific Railroad, but it seems to be intimated that President Pierce will veto any project for such end.

It is said the Postmaster General is decidedly in favor of giving the Nicaragua Line a semi-monthly mail contract, and that he is disposed to favor the discontinuance altogether of the service via Panama, by buying up the steamers of the contractors by that route, and so releasing the Government from the contract in the manner provided by the law authorizing the contract. Senator Weller has introduced a bill to that effect.

We do like to see generosity in children. It is a noble trait in man or child. If there are generous promptings in the heart of a child, they promise something noble for the man. A few days since, a boy twelve years old, while skating on the canal, observed a German boy whose tattered garments allowed the piercing winds to reach his very bones. The first boy returned to his comfortable home, and remarked:

"Mother, I think I have two or three old pairs of pants which are of no use, havn't I?"

She replied in the affirmative.

"Well," he said, "I want a pair to give a poor little boy, who is nearly froze for the want of clothes—he's nearly naked.—Mayn't I give them to him?"

He *did* get a pair and more, and before he went to bed that night, he had given them to the little German. The poor sufferer wanted to repay him in work, but this was declined.—*Evansville Journal.*

Mr. Gadsden has arrived at New Orleans with the Mexican treaty.

MARIPOSA CREEK.—From the head of this creek, as far down as Mormon Bar, the miners are doing well. Some who have claims in the bed, are at present unable to work them on account of the water, while those holding bank claims are improving their time to good advantage. We have the average of fourteen different claims, and it amounts to $13,60 per day to the man. Some miners working on small ravines leading into the main creek, near the head, are making from $40 to $50 per day to the man.

MARIPOSA MARKET.

CHRONICLE OFFICE,
THURSDAY EVENING, Feb. 23, 1854.

Business during the past week has considerably improved, while the stocks on hand have proportionably declined. Our merchants have small stocks of some kinds of articles on hand at the present time. We give the following quotations as the ruling rates of prices for the past week:

FLOUR—Chili Flour, first quality, is selling at $11; American do do at $10 ₱ 100 lb.

GRAIN—There is a fair supply of Barley in the market, and is selling at 6c ₱ lb; Wheat at 10c ₱ lb; Corn at 10c ₱ lb.

PROVISIONS—Clear Bacon is selling at $28 ₱ 100 lb; Clear Pork at $45 ₱ bbl., do do hf bbls $24; Lard in tins, at 28c ₱ lb; Butter in kegs, at 50c ₱ lb; Beans at 14c ₱ lb; Potatoes 6@8c ₱ lb; Onions, none in the market.

LIQUORS—French Brandy $5.50 ₱ gallon; American do $2.25 ₱ gallon; Whisky $1.75 ₱ gallon; Holland Gin $2,75 ₱ gallon; Port Wine $3 ₱ gallon.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CLEMENT S. SIMPSON. GEORGE IRETON.

Simpson & Ireton,

"Whisky Flat," Sherlock's Creek, Sign of the "Ground Hog,"

KEEP constantly on hand a large stock of general Merchandise and Groceries, selected with great care in the San Francisco market, and well adapted to the wants of Miners and the community generally.

They respectfully request their friends and the public generally, to call in them at their store, "Whisky Flat," on Sherlock's Creek, where they can be accommodated at low prices.

We are determined to use our best efforts to afford good articles cheap for cash. feb24-3m

DISSOLUTION.—Notice is hereby given that the Co-partnership heretofore existing between COONS & AUSTIN, of the Green Valley Ranch, is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

All persons indebted to the said firm will please come forward and pay their accounts, or they will be placed in the hands of an officer for collection. Persons having demands against us, will please present their claims by the 1st day of March next. Rector & Vaundegrift, the proprietors of the Green Valley Ranch are authorized to receive and receipt moneys paid on accounts due us.

February 22, 1854.
feb24-3t COONS & AUSTIN.

A FINE RANCH AND STOCK FOR SALE.

On the Lower Mariposa.

FOR SALE, 20 fine Sows, and about fifty Pigs, also, 2 young American Cows and Calves, one Horse, and one of the best Ranches in Mariposa county. For particulars, inquire of James A. Davis, butcher, in Mariposa, or on the premises, of

HOUGHTON & BALDWIN.
Lower Mariposa, Feb. 20, 1854. f24-ts.

$5 REWARD.—Lost on the 26th of January, at Agua Frio, a red and white DOG, about six months old, answering to the name of "Pat." The above reward will be paid by the subscriber, on delivering him to Mr. McNamara, or at my ranch, on the Mariposa road.

f24-2t ALEX. H. CORBITT.

C. D. O'SULLIVAN. WM. F. CASHMAN.

SULLIVAN & CASHMAN,

MAIN STREET, MARIPOSA,

FEELING grateful for the patronage they have received, now inform their friends and the public generally, that they have recently made arrangements in the

ATLANTIC STATES,

to receive their Goods direct from

NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

They have also erected a large and commodious Warehouse adjacent to their present Store, where will be found the largest assortment of Goods ever before in Mariposa.

WHOLESALE BUYERS

are particularly invited to give us a call, and examine our Goods, as we are determined to sell as low as can be had from

STOCKTON AND SAN FRANCISCO.

The same advantages are to be had at our Store, at Coultersville, on Maxwell's Creek. feb17-tf

SAMUEL H. PRICHARD,

WOULD respectfully offer his services to the Merchants in the Mines, as

COMMISSION BUYER OF GOODS,

In San Francisco, Office Corner of Sacramento and Battery streets.

All orders sent with the money necessary to pay for them, promptly filled at the lowest prices they can be bought, and the lowest rates of commission.

The Goods will be forwarded by an Agent in Stockton to any part of the Southern Mines.

For business qualifications he is permitted to give the following

REFERENCES:

Dr. Woodward, Agua Frio; Pool & Co., Quartzburg; George Branch, Strentzel's Ferry; E. C. Bell, County Clerk, Mariposa. feb17-tf*

DISEASES
OF THE
EYES AND RHEUMATISM.

DR. DILL, (from St. Louis, Mo., M. D., member of the Parisian and German Medical Societies,) having visited the principal Schools and Hospitals of Europe, expressly to study under the most celebrated Oculists on the continent, as Siehel of Paris, Iuengken of Berlin, and others, that most difficult and delicate branch of our profession—

DISEASES OF THE EYE—

takes pleasure in informing the public that he has permanently located himself at San Francisco, where he will treat any case that may present itself; and patients need no longer go to the States to be treated for bad cases.

DR. DILL speaks English, German, French, Spanish, &c. Office—corner of Davis and Jackson streets.

Letters addressed "P. R. DILL, M. D., San Francisco," promptly answered.

DR. DILL cures the worst cases of Rheumatism by the new treatment, in two weeks or makes no charge.

☞The poor attended gratis. feb17-6m

BRYANT & CO.'S

AGRICULTURAL WARE-HOUSE,

CORNER FRONT AND SACRAMENTO STREETS,
SAN FRANCISCO.

CONSTANTLY on hand, a select assortment of AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS;
MINING TOOLS, and
GARDEN SEEDS.

—ALSO—

A full and complete stock of HARDWARE and CUTLERY.

Mill Machinery of all kinds. feb17-tf

Duncan's Famous

Chinese Salesroom,

No. 112 Sacramento street, (extending through to Long Wharf,) San Francisco.

STEAMER SALES OF HOME PRESENTS! NEW AND RICH STYLES OF CANTON CRAPE SHAWLS!

Japanese Goods, inlaid with Pearl, from the Empire of Japan, comprising every variety of beautiful and elaborate Curiosities, suitable for gifts.

RARE EMBROIDERIES, ELEGANT SILK AND SATIN GOODS,

with other articles endless in variety, and of the rarest and most beautiful description.

SALES—every day of each week, immediately preceding the departure of the Panama and San Juan steamers. feb3-tf

CONSTABLE'S SALE.—By virtue of two Executions issued from the court of A. F. Washburn, Esq., a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Mariposa Township No. 3—one in favor of Green Coop et al. plaintiffs vs. E. Cole defendants, for the sum of three hundred dollars judgment, and thirty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents costs of suit. The said execution is entitled to a credit of two hundred and fifty two dollars and thirty eight cents. Also one in favor of James M. Slinkard plaintiff vs. E. Cole defendant, for the sum of forty-six dollars and eighty five cents judgment, and twelve dollars and sixty cents costs of suit, and all costs that may accrue by virtue of said execution—I have levied, seized and taken, by virtue of said executions, the following property, to wit: A frame House, lying and situated on the Stockton and Mariposa road, near the summit of the Big Hill, and known as the "Mountain House." And I hereby give notice, according to law, that on Saturday the 4th day of March, A. D., 1854, at two o'clock, P. M., I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the County Clerk's office, in Mariposa, all the right, title and interest of the said defendant in and to the above described property. February 16th. 1854.

feb17-6t ISAAC LYONS, Constable.

AGUA FRIO ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. Sweet & Co.,

MAIN STREET AGUA FRIO,

TENDER their thanks to their friends and customers for the liberal patronage heretofore received, and would respectfully remind them that they continue to keep constantly on hand, and for sale, a good and complete stock of

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, CLOTHING, LUMBER, HARDWARE, QUEENSWARE, &c.

Their stock is entirely new, and the following Goods are constantly kept on hand:

Hams, Beef, Pork, Bacon;
Flour, Coffee, Tea, Lard,
Sugar, Potatoes, Barley, Rice;
Molasses, Syrups, Dried Fruit, all kinds;
Preserves, Pickles, Brandy, Gin;
Whisky, Rum, Port Wine;
Claret Wine, Sherry Wine;
Hock Wine, Medaira Wine;
Clothing, Blankets, Drilling, etc., etc.,

Together with a full assortment of Miner's Tools.

We solicit all buyers to examine our stock and prices, before purchasing elsewhere, as we are determined not to be undersold by any house in the county. feb10-tf

MINERS, TAKE NOTICE!

THE undersigned is about leaving Agua Frio for the Atlantic States, and offers his large and well selected stock of

CLOTHING, BOOTS, SHOES, &c., &c.,

at first cost.

Persons in want of any article in his line, will do well to call, examine and judge for themselves.

—ALSO—

The LOT and HOUSE for sale cheap.

Remember the Frame Building, Main street, Agua Frio.

feb10-1m T. ROSENBAUM.

S. WORMSER & CO.,

MAIN STREET, AGUA FRIO,

ARE now offering for sale, at greatly reduced rates, their entire stock of Goods, consisting of

PROVISIONS,
GROCERIES,
HARDWARE,
LIQUORS,
DRY GOODS,
&c., &c.

In fact, everything usually found in a Mining Store. We would invite the attention of Miners, and all others desirous of purchasing cheap goods to give us a call.

feb10-tf WORMSER & CO.

BUCHENAU & CO.,

BREWERY ESTABLISHMENT,

MAIN STREET, AGUA FRIO.

HAVE constantly on hand a full supply of PORTER and ALE.

Dealers in their line will please give them a call.

feb10-6m

H. W. SCHMIDT,

WOULD respectfully recommend those fond of choice Literature and good Liquors, to call at his Saloon on Main street, Agua Frio. feb10-6m

Whittier's Hotel,

MAIN STREET, AGUA FRIO.

THE subscriber having purchased the above Hotel and premises, takes this opportunity of apprising his friends and the public of the fact. Being grateful for the past patronage of the House, he hopes by personal attention, and a well regulated House, to merit and receive a continuance of the patronage heretofore bestowed.

Board by the week. Lodging can be procured at all hours of the night.

Attached to the House is one of the best Billiard Tables in the county. The best of Liquors and choicest brands of Cigars will be kept at the bar.

Stabling for animals can also be had.

JOSEPH H. WHITTIER,
j27-3m Proprietor.

Young & Johnson,

MAIN STREET, AGUA FRIO,

General Dealers in Groceries and Provisions,

KEEP on hand a general assortment of Fresh and DESIRABLE GOODS,

and at the most reasonable rates. Our stock is well assorted and we think with our prices, will give general satisfaction to those who may favor us with their patronage. feb3-tf

DISSOLUTION.—The late firm of KAVANAUGH & HASKELL, of the new Steam Saw Mill, situated on Charles street in the western part of the city of Mariposa, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. The business will in future be conducted in the name of W. S. Kavanaugh, who is sole owner and proprietor, and will close the unsettled business of the original firm. January 26th, 1854.

W. S. KAVANAUGH.
NATH'L HASKELL.

THE above Mill, having undergone thorough repairs, together with some improvements, the undersigned is now prepared to deliver Lumber either at his Mill in Mariposa, or in any part of said county. And as to the quality of his Lumber he hopes it will meet the approbation of many liberal customers, whose bills are daily expected.

Mr. Steptoe, the clerk of the late firm, will still be found at the Mill, with the rule and square in his hand, and always pleased to deliver a bill either at wholesale or retail, to order.

feb10-tf W. S. KAVANAUGH.

G. M. HUTTON,

WOOD TURNING AND SCROLL SAWING,

At the Sawing and Planing Mill,

HARD Wood, House and Cabinet Turning. Orders executed with dispatch.

A variety of turned wood on hand. feb10-tf

G. M. HUTTON,

ALTA FOUNDRY,

Market street, facing Battery street, San Francisco.

CASH, Mulay and Circular Saw Mill and Grist Mill Irons, Horse Powers, Threshing Machines, Quartz Crushing and Mining Machinery, Iron and Brass Castings of every description, and Machine work in general, promptly executed at the lowest current rates. feb10-tf

JOHN CHARLTON, JR.,

ENGRAVER ON WOOD, BRASS, STEEL AND COPPER.

SEALS for County Officers, Notaries and Societies, Express Stamps, Steneil Plates, Brands.

Wedding and Visiting Cards engraved in the neatest style, and at the shortest notice.

—ALSO—

A general assortment of Blank Books and Stationery. Miners' Envelopes and Lithographic Views of the Mines may be had at 140 Sacramento street, San Francisco. feb10-tf

HERMAN ERNST,

Importer of Cigars,

AND Sole Agent in California for Messrs Partagas & Co, of Havana; Clay street, second door above Leidesdorff, San Francisco. j19-tf

BY HENRY S. FITCH & CO.,
REAL ESTATE AUCTIONEERS
AND
L A N D A G E N T S.

HENRY S. FITCH.....AUCTIONEER.

Howard's Building, No 137 Montgomery street, between Clay and Commercial streets, San Francisco.

HENRY S. FITCH respectfully announces to the public, that he has associated with him in business MR. A. MARIUS CHAPELLE and MR. LEOPOLD LOWENBERG—both gentlemen of experience in Real Estate sales.

By this association, we are enabled to transact business in the *English, French, German, Spanish and Italian* languages; and we have determined, at all public sales of importance to *present* the property and the bids made therefor in the languages named.

Sales to
Real Estate, Vessels, State Bonds, City Scrip Mining Stock, &c., &c.,

made for Administrators, Assignees, Receivers, Mortgagees, and others, carefully complying with the forms of law.

Persons desirous of having their property sold at private or public sales, will please hand in description of the same, to be entered on the register at their office.

HENRY S. FITCH,
A. MARIUS CHAPELLE,
feb10-tf LEOPOLD LOWENBERG,

PURE GROUND COFFEE
AND
S P I C E,
AT
BOVEE'S CELEBRATED
Steam Mills,
BROADWAY, SAN FRANCISCO.

THE undersigned respectfully informs the public of Mariposa, that his well known Steam Grinding Mills on Broadway, San Francisco, are again in full operation, and that he is now prepared to furnish either by wholesale or retail, an article of

PURE GROUND COFFEE,

Unequalled in this State. It is of

FULL STRENGTH,

possesses

EXTRAORDINARY FINE FLAVOR;

is carefully put up in every variety of package, from one pound upwards, and to both the buyer and consumer will be found in all respects one of the most

DESIRABLE AND VALUABLE

commodities of common use.

The Spice is of like good quality, and put up in the same manner.

☞Prices of satisfactory moderation for cash. Liberal discount made to country purchasers.

W. H. BOVEE,
Mills, Broadway, between Dupont and Stockton sts.
Office southeast corner of Merchant and Sansome sts.,
San Francisco. feb17-tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

WALLACE'S

BOARDING AND LODGING HOUSE,
AND
GENERAL PROVISION STORE,
MT. OPHIR.

THE public of Mt. Ophir and surrounding district are informed that this establishment is now supplied with one of the largest and best assorted stocks of Goods in the line, that can be found in the County, all or any portion of which will be sold as low as the lowest.

In the Boarding and Lodging department, every attention will be shown to patrons.

Regular boarders and sojourners will always find a well furnished table, and good clean beds.

feb10-tf HENRY WALLACE.

A CHOICE lot of Seasoned WEATHER BOARDING and EXTRA CLEAR SUGAR PINE, for doors, windows, sash, &c.

For sale at the Bear Creek Steam Mill. feb10-3m

Clark, Lamon & Co.,

OF THE

BEAR CREEK STEAM MILL,

HAVE constantly on hand a general assortment of Lumber of the best quality, and on the most reasonable terms.

The Bear Creek Steam Mill is situated four miles and a half from Mariposa, from which place there is a good mountain road.

The proprietors feel thankful for the encouragement which they have already received, and hope by a strict and punctual attention to business to merit a continuation of a full share of public patronage.

Our agents in Mariposa, Carsontown, Agua Frio, Mount Ophir, Hornitos, Quartzburg, and Bear Valley, will be kept constantly supplied with Lumber, and orders left with them or sent to the Mill will be promptly attended to.

LUMBER AT THE MILL $50 PER THOUSAND.

A short credit will be given on good security.

When Lumber is delivered, however, a sufficiency to defray the expense of hauling will invariably be required.

HORSES, MULES, WORK CATTLE, &c., taken in exchange for Lumber. A liberal discount allowed for cash on large bills.

Call and see us before giving orders elsewhere, and remember that we sell as cheap as the cheapest.

feb10-3m

FLORENCE'S

IN THE BASEMENT UNDER
T. K. BATTELL'S NEW GRANITE BUILDING,
AND DREXEL, SATHER & CHURCH'S BANK.

Entrance on Montgomery and Commercial streets, San Francisco.

THE undersigned, proprietors of the Saloon known as
F L O R E N C E ' S,
Will inform their friends and the public that they have made

IMPORTANT ADDITIONS

to this establishment, having taken in, besides the original basement, the

ENTIRE SPACIOUS APARTMENT,

under T. K. Battell's new Granite Building.

They have spared no expense in furnishing the Saloon with every article necessary to its reputation as a

FIRST CLASS RESTAURANT.

The most *Elegant Furniture*, the most *Costly Carpets*, and conveniences of all kinds, may be found at these Rooms.

The desire and intention of the proprietors is to make this Saloon to San Francisco what Florence's is to New York. Having been engaged in this business for a number of years, they esteem themselves capable of rendering this establishment equal to the best establishment in California. Every luxury in the way of

GAME, OYSTERS AND MEATS,

of all kinds, will be found cooked in the most approved style; and for this purpose the proprietors will give special attention to procuring the best Cooks to be found in the City.

Private parties can be accommodated here with every convenience and comfort.

The choicest selection of

WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS

to be found in the City have been purchased for the Bar.

In addition to the usual rows of tables, there are

TEN ALCOVES,

neatly furnished for Private Parties, who can be accommodated at all hours of the day or night.

The patronage of the public is respectfully solicited.

No man visiting San Francisco but should also be able to say he had been at Florence's.

feb10-1m HORN & GILMORE.

QUARTZ ROCK JEWELRY.

BARRETT & SHERWOOD

BEG leave to announce the arrival of a celebrated LAPIDARY ARTIST, engaged especially in the East for them. The machinery for this exquisite branch of their business is of the most improved and perfect description, being ordered for their establishment here, without any regard to cost.

They are now able to cut and test all kinds of precious stones and gems; no longer therefore, need the curious treasures of our soil and mines remain unregarded and undeveloped. Quartz rock mixed with gold, when cut and polished, makes the most beautiful and unique style of Jewelry. Rings, Pins, Studs, Seals, Cane Heads, Coat Buttons, and a hundred different things, can now be manufactured from it, that for beauty of design and elegance of finish would be highly appreciated in the Eastern States, rendering them, above all other souvenirs, the most superior for home presents. Call and see them at

BARRETT & SHERWOOD'S
Montgomery street, one door from Commercial street, San Francisco.

N. B.—Quartz mixed with gold, suitable for cutting, purchased at from one to five hundred per cent., above the net gold value. feb10

IMPORTANT TO SETTLERS—PRE-EMPTION CLAIMS.

The following letter from Colonel Gift upon the subject of Pre-emption Claims, commends itself to our agricultural friends throughout the State, as a matter of the first importance in securing a title to land:

REGISTER'S OFFICE, BENICIA,
January 20, 1854.

D. J. STAPLES—Sir:—I have been shown a letter from you to Major Stemmons, asking what you should do in reference to pre-emption claims. The law requires that you should have built a house on the land before the third day of March, 1854, on unreserved lands, and on surveyed lands any time before it is offered for sale. Now, sir, your is unsurveyed land, and will be for six or nine months yet. You have nothing to do but send to this office a description of your land, making your beginning corner, and running with the points of the compass East and West, North and South, and half mile each line, or 40 chains, which square makes 160 acres of land, and if laid off that way, it must be run through at right angles, and you can take the legal sub-divisions and by that means cover your quarter section, and all pre-emptors who are on their lands on or before the 3d day of March next, will hold them, and I do believe the Congress of the United States will extend it further, but you and your neighbors are all required to send your declaratory statements to this office as soon as practicable, and let them be placed on file. It can be done by agent.

Your Representatives, if authorized, can put on file declaratory statements for San Joaquin county, with any gentlemen appearing here until the day arrives to prove up. Then the pre-emptor must appear in person and take the oath required by law, and prove up by some other witness. These are some of the most essential facts to be observed by pre-emptors.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,
WM. W. GIFT, Register.

We are happy to state that Wm. B. Taylor, a resident of Mariposa county, has opened an agency at Benicia for the purpose of attending to this branch of business, and any letter addressed to him will receive prompt attention. The following is his Circular to the public:

IMPORTANT TO SETTLERS ON PUBLIC LANDS IN CALIFORNIA.

The undersigned having located himself permanently at Benicia, offers his services to such Settlers as are desirous of taking the initiatory steps procuring a bona fide title to a Pre-emption Claim, (One Hundred and Sixty Acres,) which it is important should be on file as early as possible, at the Register Office, at Benicia as much trouble and perhaps litigation may be saved thereby.

The following form should be observed by parties in declaring their intention to claim a pre-emption:

I, of being the head of a family, or a singe man over twenty-one years of age, as the case may be, a citizen of the United States, have, on the day of A. D. 185 , settled and improved the Quarter of Section No. in Township No. , of Range No. in the district of lands subject to sale at the Land Office, at Benicia, and containing acres, which land has not yet been offered at public sale, and thus rendered subject to private entry, and I do hereby declare my intention to claim the said tract of land as a pre emption right, under the provisions of the Act of 3d March, 1853.

Given, under my hand, this day of A. D., 185

Signed, in the presence of }
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The great distance of a majority of settlers from the

MARIPOSA CHRONICLE.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMSHIP

JOHN L. STEPHENS.

LATER FROM THE ATLANTIC STATES.

Loss of the Steamship San Francisco.

GREAT FIRE IN NEW YORK.

&c. &c. &c.

The steamship San Francisco, having on board the Third Regiment of U. S. Artillery and a quantity of military stores, sailed for California via the Straits of Magellan. She had projection guards like the steamers on this coast, but was built with peculiar care, and was considered a remarkably staunch and sea-worthy vessel, being deeply laden; however, in a heavy sea way, she was slow to answer her helm. On the morning of the 24 h, when about 200 miles off Charleston, S. C, a violent gale springing up from the northwest, producing a heavy sea and causing the vessel to labor much, several times she breached to, and her sails and upper rigging were blown away by furious gusts of wind. At length the piston rod of an air pump giving way, the engine broke down, and the ship lay helpless in the trough of the sea. While in this position, and the gale not abating in the least, at nine o'clock, A. M., on the following morning, she was struck amidships by a tremendous sea, which carried away her upper saloon, smoke stacks and the after part of her hurricane deck, and at one blow, swept into eternity more than 150 souls. The main deck was partly crushed in, and each successive wave threatened to engulph the ill-fated vessel. Captain Watkins and his stout-hearted assistants promptly adopted all the means within their power to keep the ship afloat, and sustain the energies of those entrusted to their care. Pumps were rigged, and gangs of soldiers with buckets also endeavored to relieve the ship of the water that was constantly pouring in through her broken upper works. In this manner they passed several days of extreme suffering, which was aggravated by the crowded condition and unwholesome odor of the between decks, and received additional horrors from the appearance of a malignant species of cholera morbus; this caused the death of over sixty persons.

The appearance of several vessels at length relieved the apprehensions of the survivors, and, eventually they were all rescued.

The Antarctic rescued the last of those taken off the San Francisco, among them being Captain Watkins, and continued her voyage to San Francisco. The first intelligence of the misfortune of the San Francisco was brought to Boston by a vessel which was unable to afford relief, in consequence of the violence of the gale. Vessels were sent out in search of her from all the Atlantic ports, and until the arrival of the first detachment of survivors, the most intense excitement prevailed throughout the country. Great praise is awarded Captain Watkins and his first officer, Mr. Mellus, who were ably seconded by the army officers on board. Lieutenant Maury, of the U. S. Navy, is also spoken of in terms of high commendation.

Among the lost were Colonel Washington, Major Taylor, Mrs. Taylor, Captain H. B. Field, Lieutenant H. Smith, and 150 soldiers.

It was said that the Emperor of France had received dispatches from Madrid, stating that Mr. Soule had been killed in a duel. It needs confirmation.

Metropolitan Hall, New York, was destroyed by fire on the night of January 8th, also the new Marble Hotel adjoining, built by Laforge, was totally destroyed. Loss one hundred thousand dollars. On the 16th inst. the upper part of the New City Hall was destroyed by fire; nearly all the public documents were saved.

The British ship Three Bells was the first vessel to come to the rescue of the San Francisco. The conduct of her officers and crew are spoken of in the highest terms of praise.

In Congress Mike Walsh and Mr. Cutting had both made speeches on New York politics, very severe against the administration.

The Erie Railroad matters had been discussed in the Senate. The President thinks interference is uncalled for.

In the Senate, Mr. Gwin spoke of the inefficiency of the naval force on the Pacific. He said the present effect was like locking the door after the horse had been stolen.

Mr. Brown has been elected Senator from Mississippi. He is an ultra secessionist.

The aspect of affairs in the Russia-Turko difficulty is unchanged.

The Pope's nuncio, Bedini, had been burned in effigy at Cincinnati, in consequence of his supposed participation in a riot. The news prevailing with regard to a treaty between the United States and Mexico, for Sonora, is confirmed. It is before the Cabinet, but it is doubtful whether it will be confirmed.

The Mexican papers speak in favor of the treaty.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY MORE LIVES REPORTED LOST.

The loss of the Emigrant brig Mary Jane, with one hundred and fifty passengers on Ledore Ledge, Nova Scotia, is reported by telegraph from Halifax. Lacks confirmation.

Large subscriptions have been taken up in the Atlantic cities for the relief of the survivors of the wrecked steamship, and also for the purpose of preparing suitable testimonials to the gallant seamen who rescued them.

The report of a third Soule duel is not confirmed.

The Erie Railroad troubles are not yet adjusted.

GUNSMITHING.

RIFLES, FOWLING PIECES, AND COLT'S PISTOLS,

Will be repaired by the undersigned in a neat and substantial manner, upon short notice.

Shop situated on Charles, between 4th and 5th streets, Mariposa.

j19-1y J. N. THOMAS.

MARIPOSIANS, ATTENTION!!

GOLDEN GATE AND UNCLE SAM!

Just Received by the above Fast Steamers

AT

EVERETT'S PIONEER HAT EMPORIUM,

No. 174 Clay street, San Francisco.

A magnificent assortment of

HATS FOR RAINY WEATHER;
NAVY CAPS AND COVERS;
GLAZED HATS AND CAPS;
CLOTH CAPS, CHILDREN'S, &c.

FINE SILK COVERS FOR HATS AND CAPS.

All of which will be sold at the lowest prices, by Mr. E., in New York, and which will be sold on the most favorable terms to dealers. The public are cordially invited to call and examine. N. B.—COVERS for Hats, Caps, &c., made to order at short notice, from PIECE GOODS furnished by the parties.

MARIPOSA ADVERTISEMENTS.

Great Bargains!

WE, the undersigned, beg leave to return our thanks to our friends and the public, for the very liberal patronage that has been extended to us in this place; and would now respectfully give notice, that we are about to close out our extensive assortment of Dry Goods, in Mariposa and Carson's creek, with a view of returning to the Atlantic States, and would invite those wishing to purchase, to give us a call before buying elsewhere, as we are determined to sell cheap for Cash. J. M. POSNER & CO.

Or MARKS & BROTHER, Carson Creek.

N. B.—All persons knowing themselves to be indebted to us, are requested to call and settle immediately, and save costs. j19-tf

J. F. McNAMARA. J. D. CRIPPEN.

M'NAMARA & CRIPPEN,

CHRONICLE BUILDING,

Main Street, Mariposa.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN

Groceries,
Provisions,
Clothing,
Liquors,
Crockery,
Boots & Shoes,
Etc., Etc.,

And every other article that is usually found for sale in the mines.

We respectfully invite the attention of those wishing to purchase, as we have established as a motto—

"*We will not be undersold!*"

feb19-tf

New Drug Store

IN

M A R I P O S A.

A. D. BOYCE, Agent.

HAS constantly on hand a full and fresh supply of

Foreign and Domestic Drugs;
French, English and American Chemicals;
Perfumery and Family Medicines;
Shakers' Herbs and Extracts;
Thompsonian Medicines;

and in fact all things usually to be found in a well stocked establishment.

Physicians can rely upon having their prescriptions carefully prepared at this place. j27-tf

Dr. Grandvoinet

TENDERS his professional services to the citizens of Mariposa and vicinity. His experience while surgeon in the French Artillery, and during a long course of private practice, qualifies him, he trusts, to practice successfully and satisfactorily every department of surgery and medicine.

He also keeps constantly on hand a large assortment of

DRUGS AND MEDICINES.

Also—an extensive variety of

Fancy Goods, Surgical Instruments, Patent Medicines, Cosmetics, Perfumery, Cigars, Etc., Etc.,

which he will sell at wholesale or retail. Persons wishing to buy by the quantity, will do well to examine his stock before purchasing elsewhere, as he is determined to sell at the very lowest prices.

Dr. Grandvoinet is also prepared to receive Ladies during confinement, who will also receive the care and attention of Mrs. Grandvoinet.

Mariposa, Jan. 20th, 1854.

WM. NICHOLS,

The Oldest Butcher in Mariposa,

Familiarly known as "BLOODY NICK," continues to keep constantly on hand, at his old stand on Main street, the best

AMERICAN BEEF AND PORK

the country affords, cheap for cash. He feels confident that in his branch of business he can't be beat, consequently he defies all competition.

Credit is dead and buried. j19-tf

FRANKLIN HOUSE.

THE undersigned takes pleasure in announcing to his old friends and the public generally, that he has re-leased the above well known House, for the purpose of keeping a HOTEL and Boarding House, where strangers will find all the comforts of a first class Hotel.

The TABLE will be supplied with the best the market affords—neatness and quietness will at all times be preserved.

Boarding by the week on most reasonable terms. Meals, Oyster Stews, etc, at all hours.

Attached to the hotel is an excellent STABLE, where animals will be fed on the best of hay and grain, and will be cleaned and brought at short notice. Saddle horses to let.

j19-y FRANK WILLIAMS.

EL DORADO

RESTAURANT,

AND

COFFEE SALOON,

On Charles, between 3rd and 4th streets.

The proprietors, grateful for the liberal patronage heretofore extended to them, would respectfully say to persons wishing a single meal, or board by the week, that they cannot do better than to give them a call, and try some of their

Hot Coffee;
Hot Tea;
Hot Chocolate;
Hot Biscuit;
Beef Steak;
Pork Steak;
Mutton;
Venison Steak and Apple Sauce;
Fried Ham and Eggs.

Soups and Stews of all descriptions, and all kinds of Game constantly on hand.

All kinds of Cakes made on the shortest possible notice.

For the benefit of the public they will keep their house open until one o'clock in the morning.

Board per week $12; Single Meals $1; Extras charged for accordingly. Payment to be invariably in advance.

j19-tf AUGUSTE PUJOL.

Mariposa Bath House

AND

SHAVING SALOON,

Opposite the Franklin House, Mariposa.

THE undersigned, grateful for past patronage, would respectfully invite the inhabitants of Mariposa and vicinity, and also travelers and sojourners in this region, who may feel an inclination to take either a warm or cold bath, and get shaven, shorn, and shampooed, or either one of them, to give him a call.

j19-1y PHOENIX LANSING.

L. FRANKL & CO.,

WHOLESALE and Retail dealer in Provisions, Groceries, Liquors, Havana and American Cigars, Tobacco, Crockery, Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Etc., Etc.

On Charles street in Mariposa, and on Main street in Carson's Creek. j19-tf

CLOTHING

AND

General Furnishing ESTABLISHMENT!!

AT

A. BLUMENTHAL,

At his well known Store, Main street, opposite the Southern Hotel, Mariposa,

HAS constantly on hand a large and varied assortment of

Coats, Pants, Vests, Boots and Shoes;
Hats, Blankets, Trunks, &c., &c., &c.,

which will be sold at San Francisco prices—for Cash. j19-tf

SAN FRANCISCO ADVERTISEMENTS.

C. A. McNULTY,

Importer and Dealer in Hardware, Miners' Tools, Agricultural Implements, &c.,

No. 82 Battery street, San Francisco.

HAS in store, a large and general assortment, comprising in part—

STEAM ENGINES, BOILERS, SAW-MILLIRONS, PLOWS.

HARDWARE—
O. Ames' long and short handled Shovels;
P. and R. do do do do;
King's do do do do;
Spades, Hoes, Axes, Picks;
Tacks, assorted sizes, Plumb Levels;
Bellows, vices, anvils, and irons;
Bench planes, augers, gimblets;
Squares, rules, saw sets, trays;
Circular, mill, cross-cut, pit and hand saws;
Chisels, drawing knives, adzes;
Stocks and dies, auger bitts, trowels;
Cutlery, locks, bolts, screws, butts;
Hatchets, hammers, Mexican spurs;
Files, a full assortment;
Lead pipe, zinc, block tin, grindstones;
Sheet iron, cut and wrought nails,
Colt's revolvers, powder flasks, percussion caps;
Coffee mills, letter presses, scales;
Hollow-ware, wagon boxes;
Carpenters', Coopers', Blacksmiths' Tools &c., &c.

BRITANNIA WARE—
Candlesticks, soup ladles, pitchers;
Coffee pots, castors, molasses cups;
Cigar lighters, spittoons, fluid lamps,
Dishes, stands and water pans;
Table and tea spoons, tea sets complete;
Chafing dishes, oblong tureens, &c., &c.

WOODEN WARE—
Tubs, pails, washboards, churns;
Cider and well buckets, trays;
Axe, pick, sledge, adze and hammer handles;
Knife boxes, beef mauls, rolling pins,
Wooden bowls, brushes, mops;
Oval trays, butter stamps, dippers;
Lemon squeezers, bench screws;
Seives, Manila cordage, &c., &c.

City and country dealers will find it to their advantage to call and examine my stock and prices.

For sale by C. A. McNULTY,
j19-tf 82 Battery, corner

JAMES E. TOWNSEND,

ATTORNEY AT LAW, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA,

HAS removed his office to 47 (third story,) Montgomery Block, (Halleck, Peachy & Billing's New Building,) corner of Merchant and Montgomery streets. j27-tf

W. L. CHRYSLER, & CO.,

PORK, Beef, and General Merchants, Fire Proof Store, corner of Front and Sacramento streets. j27-tf

150,000 Worth of Furniture,

BRYANT & KINGS

EMPIRE FURNITURE WAREROOMS,

180 *Jackson street, San Francisco.*

AT very low prices for cash, just received and now opened at the wholesale and retail trade, making by far the largest stock ever offered on the Pacific coast, and comprising every variety of rosewood, mahogany, walnut and other kinds of parlor, chamber and office Furniture, together with all kinds of Beds and Bedding.

The attention of dealers in particular is called, as well as all who are furnishing hotels, dwellings or offices, as every article we advertise we positively have on hand, making a selection, we flatter our ourselves, that will meet the wants of all.

N. B.—30 complete unbroken invoices. Call and see us before purchasing elsewhere. j19

NICARAGUA STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

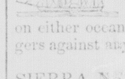
FOR NEW YORK AND NEW ORLEANS,

VIA SAN JUAN.

Only Twelve Miles Land Carriage!

Macadamised Road.

THROUGH AHEAD OF THE MAILS;



THIS Company now have the following splendid steamers, which will secure a spare vessel on either ocean, giving a guarantee to passengers against any delay on the Isthmus:

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These steamers are all of the first class, and fast sailers, thoroughly ventilated and well provisioned, affording the traveling community the shortest, safest and most pleasant route on the Atlantic, passengers arriving in New York and New Orleans from 4 to 6 days in advance of any other route. A steamer will be dispatched from New York on the 5th and 20th, and from San Francisco on the 1st and 16th of every month.

CHARLES MORGAN,
Agent New York.
C. K. GARRISON,
j19-1m Agent San Francisco.

PAINTS, OILS, GLASS, ETC.—
Camphene and Turpentine, 2500 gallons now landing.

—ALSO—

Receiving, ex Whistler, Kate Hayes, Flying Dragon, Witch of the Wave, Fearless, Wizard, John Wade, Les Mers du Sud, &c., large additions to our stock of

Paints, Oils, Varnish, Glass, Etc.,

making our assortment NOW as HERETOFORE, the largest and best selected stock in San Francisco.

Purchasers are invited to call on us, as we can offer at the lowest terms.

SAWYER, JOHNSON & HARVEY,
Wholesale Dealers,
105 and 107 Clay street,
j19-1m San Francisco.

PATCH & CLAYTON,

COMMISSION MERCHANTS AND GENERAL AGENTS,

(92 *Front street, in Gordon's Iron Block.*)

FAITHFUL attention given to sales of California Produce, and orders for merchandise promptly filled at lowest market rates.

WM. Y. PATCH. [j27-tf] CHARLES CLAYTON.

Winn's Fountain Head,

STEAM CANDY MANUFACTORY AND CONFECTIONERY.

FANCY Cake, Pie, Bread, and Cracker Bakery, and

REFRESHMENT SALOONS,

are open from six o'clock in the morning, until twelve o'clock at night, for the sale of goods at

WHOLESALE OR RETAIL,

and for the feeding of the thousands of hungry mortals who are continually thronging our streets.

Manufactured goods in our line are all of a superior quality, and are packed for shipping to any part of the world. j27-tf

J. D. HUNT & CO.,

CORNER CLAY AND BATTERY STREETS,

OFFER for sale Eagle Plows of the best make, and every variety;
Steel Plows of Illinois patterns;
Gedde's Harrows, Cultivators, Wheat Drills, of most approved make,
Ox Yokes and Bows, Whiffletrees;
Thermometer and Rotary Churns;
Agricultural Furnaces, Cauldon Kettles, all sizes;
Galvanized Fence Wire. j29-tf

QUARTZ SPECIMENS POLISHED!

Seals, Rings, Covers, Heads, Snuff Box Cane &c.,

CUT AND SET, BY

BARRETT & SHERWOOD,

Montgomery street, 1 door from Commercial

THE only Lapidary Machinery in California, and the best workmen on the Pacific coast, are now employed in our establishment.

☞Don't mistake the number—161 j27-tf

EX CLIPPER SHIP WILD PIGEON.—Just received by the above clipper, a large and select assortment of Silk and Worsted Damask, Gilt Cornices, and Curtain Holders, in store for sale by A. C. MESSERVE & Co.,

128 Clay street, next door to Niantic Hotel.

San Francisco, 14, 1853. j19

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J. B. WIER,

IMPORTER AND DEALER,

IN

BUTTER, CHEESE, LARD, HAMS, PORK, &c., &c.,

48 Front street, near California, San Francisco.

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FRANK BAKER,

Importer, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Upholstery Goods and Paper Hangings,

135 and 137 Clay street, San Francisco,

HAS constantly on hand a large assortment of velvet tapestry, brussels, three-ply, ingrain and Venitian Carpets, druggets, matting, table and floor oil cloths, rugs, mats, etc, etc.

Also—Satins, silks, worsted, cotton, damask, lace and muslin curtains. Also, window shades of every description; gimps, cords, fringes, silk and worsted tassels, loops, gilt cornices and poles, curtain bands and pins, table covers, plush, etc.

Orders from a distance promptly attended to.

FRANK BAKER,
j19 135 and 137 Clay street.

W. T. GARRATT & CO.,

Brass and Bell Founders,

Halleck Street, near the American Theatre.

MANUFACTURERS of all kinds of copper work, brass, zinc, steamboat, tavern and hand BELLS and Gongs, fire engines, force and lift pumps, steam, liquor, soda, oil and water cocks, and valves of all descriptions, made and repaired; hose and other joints, spelter, copper rivets, &c; gas pipes and fixtures always on hand. j21-tf

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PREMIUM PLOWS.

MESSRS. E. L. BEARD, WM. NEELY Thompson, and J. Bryant Hill, the Committee appointed to award a silver plate to the manufacturer of the best California-made plow on exhibition at the Agricultural Fair of Warren & Son, have awarded the plate to Messrs L E Morgan & Co. The plate is valued at $100. The following is the report of the Committee:

The undersigned having been appointed a committee to examine the several plows presented for exhibition and premiums at Warren & Son's State Fair, having attended to that duty, submit the following report:

The several plows offered for exhibition and premiums were as follows:

L E Morgan & Co—Steel Peoria Plows, viz:

Clipper No 6, a highly finished plow, with wheel and coulter, cutting 14-inch furrow; Clipper No 16, wheel and coulter, 16-inch furrow; Clipper No 18, wheel and coulter, 18 inch furrow; Clipper No 20, wheel and coulter, 20-inch furrow.

Peoria Plain or Prairie-land Plows:

No 5, fine steel and finished, cutting 10-inch furrow; No 5 1-2, same style and quality, cutting 12-inch furrow; No 6, same character, cutting 14-inch furrow; No 7, same, 16-inch furrow.

L E Morgan and Co exhibited in the Hall a most superb and highly finished clipper or prairie plow, cutting a 16-inch furrow, reflecting great credit upon the workmen in the several departments of their manufactory in the construction of their plows; also a most beautiful model, a miniature plow, that was exhibited upon the table in the Hall, and attracted much attention.

There were also cast plows from the celebrated manufactories of Ruggles, Nourse and Mason of Worcester, Mass, John Mayher and Co of New York, and others, consisting of deep-tillers, side-hill, sub-soil, centre-draft, etc, etc, but as these were not put in competition, the committee can only say that for cast iron plows, they hold their usual high rank.

The plows manufactured in this State being the only ones entitled to premiums, and this being the principal duty of the committee, they proceeded to the examination.

A wrought steel plow from Stockton had been exhibited, but was withdrawn from competition.

The various steel plows from Messrs Morgan and Co, were such as to give pleasure in their examination, and the committee find them manufactured in the most satisfactory manner, and most creditable to the proprietors. From the abundant testimony before the committee, they are satisfied of their being the very best plows, and most thoroughly made, and plows that give greater satisfaction than any other steel plow in the country.

The committee, in view of the facts before them of the high merit and most excellent reputation of their real worth, award to L E Morgan and Co, the premium prize, a silver plate, valued at $100.

The committee hope that with another year, many new varieties of plows, adapted to all forms of culture, the side-hill, the sub-soil and deep-tiller, will be manufactured by our citizens, and thus retain at home the wealth of our State for the real benefit of our people.

E. L. BEARD,
WM. NEELY THOMPSON, } Committee.
J. BRYANT HILL.

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Winn's Branch Confectionery

Ice Cream and Ladies' Refreshment Saloon.

Cor. of Washington and Montgomery sts.

ENLARGED DECEMBER 31, 1853.

THIS IS THE ONLY FASHIONABLE Resort for Ladies and Gentlemen in the State. It may not be necessary at this time to repeat that no liquors of any description are sold at either of WINN'S establishments, as all must have learned the fact from former advertisements or personal observation. We are proud to add, and to the great credit of our citizens be it said, that FIVE THOUSAND of the most intelligent, high-minded, enterprising people in the State of California, take their meals daily at these places, without Brandy, Wine, Beer or Cider.—Hundreds of Ladies, we are happy to say, are among this number; and if they—the Ladies—will hereafter patronise no house where intoxicating drinks are sold, a social reform will be brought about in this State, in five years, that will be felt throughout the 'heathen' as well as the 'civilized' world. But we must leave the subject for want of time to say more at present. We will in our future advertisements have a word to say in defence of the principles we advocate, having raised the Flag of Temperance on board the noble ship Fountain Head and her younger sister the Branch, we are bound to stand by it; and as we sail through the Gulf of Dissipation, Misery and Death, we'll stretch forth our hands and rescue all that have fallen from the platform of rectitude and are wallowing in the depths beneath, while the loving wife, the mother, or darling little ones stand half frantic with anguish, as they behold from day to day the object of their fondest love sinking deeper and deeper in the abyss of ruin. M. L. WINN,

j21-tf Proprietor of Fountain Head and Branch.

J. V. M'ELWEE. A. C. WIGHTMAN.

McElwee & Wightman,

IMPORTERS OF, AND DEALERS IN

Upholstery Goods and Paper Hangings.

(Fire-Proof Brick Store,)

No. 172 Clay Street, near Montgomery, San Francisco.

RECEIVED, per recent arrivals, a large and well selected assortment of upholstery goods and fancy trimmings, such as damasks, gimps, loops, centre tassels, cornices, bands, etc. Also, a large lot of low priced carpeting; also on hand, a beautiful lot of rich French paper hangings, with border to match, suitable for parlors and saloons. All of which will be sold at the lowest market prices.

All kinds of Upholstery Work done with neatness and dispatch. Houses clothed and papered, and carpets made and put down on the most reasonable terms.

McELWEE & WIGHTMAN,
j21-tf 172 Clay st, above Montgomery.

EX CLIPPER SHIP WILD PIGEON.—Just received by the above clipper, a beautiful selection of three Ply and Ingrain Carpets; Berlin and Chinelle Rugs. Also, 10,000 rolls of Paper Hangings, in store and for sale by

A. C. MESSERVE & Co.,

128 Clay street, next door to Niantic Hotel.

San Francisco, Jan 14, 1853. j19

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STORY, REDINGTON & CO.,

IMPORTERS AND WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

Drugs and Medicines,

Chemicals, Perfumery, Fancy Articles, etc., San Francisco, Cal.

AGENTS for Osgood's India Colagogue, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, Dr. Comine's Ginseng and Malea, Graefenberg Co's Medicines, Corbett's Shakers' Sarsaparilla, Dr. Hunt's Life Elixer and Hyatt's Balsam;

HAVE removed to their new store, on the North East corner of Sansome and Merchant streets. No 128 Sansome street, and No 1 Sansome Block, immediately opposite their old stand. j19-tf

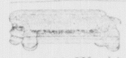
SALVATOR ROSA,

IMPORTER, and dealer in all description of MUSICAL INSTUMENTS, Sheet Music, etc, No. 180 Clay street, between Kearney and Montgomery, San Francisco. t j19

GOODMAN BROS.,

Wholesale Grocers and General Commission Merchants.

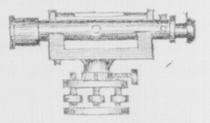
j19 50 Front street, San Francisco.



FURNITURE.

AT SEYMOUR & CO.'S, No. 190 Washington street, San Francisco.

Sofas, Sofa Beds;
Bedsteads;
French Mahogany Bedsteads;
Gothic do do;
Elizabethian Bedsteads;
Washstands;
Marble Top Washstands;
Veneered do;
Painted do double and single;
Standing and Sitting Desks;
Sets painted Chamber Furniture;
Chairs in great variety. j19-tf



THOMAS TENNENT'S

SURVEYING AND NAVIGATION WAREHOUSE,

Sign of the Wooden Sailor,

FIRE-PROOF BLOCK,

Corner of Long Wharf and Front streets, San Francisco.

Chronometers carefully rated by Transit Observations.

U. S. Agency for the sale of Government Charts of this coast. All these Charts will be sold as heretofore,

At Government Prices.

Surveying and Nautical Instruments, of the best manufacture always on hand.

Repairing executed in a workmanlke manner.

Charts of the latest and most correct surveys, comprising a large assortment of the North and South Pacific Indian Ocean, Horsburg's China Seas, Eastern Passages, Straits of Malacca, Sunda, etc., with rivers and harbors.

Stationery, Pocket Spy Glasses;
Compound Microscopes, Stereoscopes;
Drawing Instruments, Spectacles;
Magnets, Drawing and Tracing Paper;
Hydrometers for Liquors, Salts;
Syrups, Acids, Milk, &c.
Pocket Compasses, Thermometers, &c., with a great variety of other Instruments in the same line.

Being a practical workman, (having learned my business in the manufactory of the celebrated Wm. J. Young, of Philadelphia,) all work entrusted to me will be properly done. j19-3m

WINN'S FOUNTAIN HEAD.

The Fountain Head! The Fountain Head!!
Winn's Fountain is the place,
Where old and young, the grave and gay,
Join in Life's cheerful race.
They with accord are rushing by,
And for the Fountain haste,
Their Breakfast, Dinner, Supper, too,
Are always to the taste.
'Tis there they find the choicest meals
Our market e'er affords,
Served up in latest style that's known,
All smoking on the boards.
Steaks and stews and vegetables rare,
And butter sweet as cream;
Rolls, doughnuts, cakes, and fresh fruit pies,
Well fit for England's Queen.
The coffee, too, so clear and hot,
Prepared of Java best,
Served up with cream and sugar white,
Is drunk with hasty zest.
Winn's Fountain Head hath viands choice—
All that is rare and good;
None can surpass its ample store,
Nor rich and varied board.
This fact, our robust Aldermen
Do every day attest,
That at Winn's Fountain Head and Branch,
They're always suited best.
Then, old and young, both grave and gay,
Let's for the Fountain aim—
The Fountain Head! The Fountain Head!!
And choicest meals obtain.

Respectfully dedicated to the Eating Public of California in general, and San Francisco in particular, by

j19-tf NED SMIL.

MINER'S EXCHANGE

AND SAVINGS BANK,

AND

San Francisco Assay Office,

ARMORY HALL,

Corner Montgomery and Sacramento streets, San Francisco.

DR. A. S. WRIGHT, Agent.

ALL Moneys left at this Bank will bear an interest of one and a half per cent per month, redeemable at pleasure.

GOLD Dust left to be Assayed at this office, will be returned within twenty-four hours, and the very best price paid for it when offered for sale.

GOLD Dust received on Special Deposit Free of charge, and rich Quartz specimens purchased, or valued gratis, and every attention paid to the Assaying or testing of all kinds of Ores.

GOLD Dust received for Coinage, and Remittances Bills of Exchange drawn on the East, at sight or on time.

RAILROAD BAKERY

AND COFFEE AND TEA ROOMS;

48 Long Wharf, between Battery and Front sts., San Francisco.

THE attention of our friends and others in Mariposa, is respectfully directed to the following:

It is a well known fact that the most cleanly and desirable way of cooking is BY STEAM, to whatever article it can be applied. Therefore, the proprietors of this establishment have just erected a

Steam Engine and Steam Apparatus,

whereby most of their articles are manufactured and kept fresh and ALWAYS HOT. By the use of steam they prepare their Coffee, Tea, and Chocolate as required, which make them far superior in quality to any other like establishment in the city,

BREAKFAST ROLLS

Always hot and fresh till 12 M, and Tea Biscuit from 12 M, to 11 P M. Puddings, rice, hominy hot from 12 M, to 7 P M.

BUCKWHEAT CAKES,

Made from flour manufactured in this city, from fresh California Buckwheat. Hot English Muffins at all hours.

The Pastry at the R R Bakery is universally admitted to far surpass any in the city, constituting every variety of fresh Fruit, Pies, etc.

When you visit our city give us a call—you will be well pleased.

j19-tf BAILEY & THOMPSON, Proprietors.

SAN FRANCISCO ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. T. M'CLURE

WOULD inform his friends and the public of Mariposa, that he is now located in his spacious Fire-Proof Building on Bush street, between Sansome and Montgomery, San Francisco, and has on hand one of the largest and best selected stocks of

DRUGS, MEDICINES, PERFUMERY, and FANCY ARTICLES,

that can be found in California. He will sell as low as the lowest, and his goods will invariably be found to be of the very best quality. Country dealers will do well to call and examine for themselves. j19-tf

REMOVAL.

DR. J. C. YOUNG,

HAS removed his office from 226 1-2 Dupont street to the corner of Montgomery and California streets, opposite the Banking House of Page, Bacon & Co., where he will be happy to consult with his former patrons, and treat scientifically and with discretion, all those who may require the services of a physician. The success of Dr. Young since his advent in this State, has been without a parallel, and he hopes by continued and untiring application to his profession, to remove from the public mind that lack of confidence which has so unhappily existed in regard to the medical profession in the State of California.

P. S.—All letters enclosing $10 will receive immediate attention. Direct box 753, Post Office, San Francisco.

N. B.—All papers in the state will please insert as special notice the above, for one month, and send bill to J. C. Young, M. D. dec4-tf

DR. J. C. YOUNG,

OF SAN FRANCISCO

READ AND REFLECT.

"If there is a hereafter,
(And that there is, conscience uninfluenced,
And suffered to speak out, tells every man,)
Then it is an awful thing to die,
More horrid yet to die by one's own hand,
Self-murder—name it not!
Shall Nature, swerving from her earliest dictate,
Self preservation, fall by its own act?
Verbiet it, Heaven."

THE indulgence in secret practices is the most certain, though not always the most immediate and direct avenue to destruction. Physicians of all ages have been most unanimously of opinion that the loss of one ounce of the seminal secretions, by unnatural aid or emissions, weakens the system more than the abstraction of forty ounces of blood. One of the first writers on medical jurisprudence states that three-fourths of the insane owe their malady to such abuse.

How important, then, it is—for every one having the least cause to suspect any trouble in that way, should attend to it immediately; even one single occurrence should be sufficient to cause doubt, and much more so if the person had ever indulged in the soul-killing habit. The treatment pursued by the justly celebrated Dr. J. C. Young, in cases of seminal weakness, impotency, sterility, nervous debility, and paralysis, (the last is the most dangerous, and when it once occurs, is incurable,) is surpassed by any physician in the country. It is the same as that followed by him for years, under the guidance of the world-renowned *Recard* of Paris, and *Lston* of London. Dr. Young's office is at 226 1-2 Dupont street, San Francisco, California, where he can be consulted upon that and all other private diseases, with the utmost confidence and secrecy. Dr. Young will warrant a perfect and permanent cure, or make no charge.

N. B.—Letters enclosing $10 will receive prompt attention. The doctor's time being so much taken up that he cannot attend to letters unless paid for it.

P. S.—Apartments privately arranged.

A CARD.

FROM Dr. J. C. Young's Private Medical Office.—To the Afflicted.—In this age of progress, when science is developing itself in such a manner as to appear almost miraculous, everything in common place is looked upon as not worth notice. In view of this fact, Dr. Young, (at 226 1-2 Dupont street,) has concluded to leave the beaten track hitherto pursued by most scientific physicians, (that of waiting for the public to find you out alone,) and publish to the world, as much as may be, his knowledge of the healing art, to let those who are in need of assistance know where they can find relief, without fear of being imposed upon.

In continuation of this object, Dr. Young would say that for the past ten years he has pursued the practice of medicine in one of the largest cities of the United States, with the highest success, and that his standing as a physician is without reproach, having at one time been lecturer at the University of Pennsylvania on venerial disease, &c.

Upon all these considerations, Dr. Young has confidence in introducing himself to the public, knowing that they will sustain well earned merit.

The following are a few of the many testimonials, which have appeared in the public journals the last few years:

[From the Boston Medical Journal.]

Although we are opposed to the system of advertising, for good and sufficient reasons, still we deem it but justice to say that Dr. Young is one of the most industrious and indefatigable votaries of the medical science in the United States.

[From Professor Jackson.]

The subscriber is personally acquainted with Dr. Young, and has seen much of his practice, and can bear testimony to his merits as a practitioner.

[From the New York Herald.]

The eminence of this distinguished gentleman in his profession, and the very extended opportunities possessed by him for the observation of venereal disease, makes his services invaluable to those afflicted with the above complaints.

MEDICAL ADVICE.

DR. J. C. Young, who has become so celebrated for the thousands of cures which he has performed on old, chronic, mercurial, syphilitic, and all private diseases, without mercury, is consulted daily at his office, up stairs, No. 226 1-2 Dupont street, between Washington and Jackson, from 9 A. M. to 8 P. M. A cure guaranteed or no pay.

Dr. J. C. Young has probably had more practice in venereal diseases than any other physician in California. He cures all the most aggravated cases of this disease, and will once be removed in from two to five days. The doctor has for many years been known as the most eminent and successful physician in the United States, and what is more important to the patient, he always effects a speedy and permanent cure.

Travelers, seamen, miners and others, who wish to be cured without mercury, hindrance from business, or exposure to friends, should apply to him as soon as possible, and a perfect cure will be guaranteed in all cases. Recollect the name and number, Dr. J. C. Young, 226 1-2 Dupont street, up stairs, a few doors from Washington.

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